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BIRTHS

ALLAN.—On April 17, 1930, at The Dene, Hoole, Chester, to EILEEN, wife of LT.-COLONEL A. C. ALLAN, D.S.O., M.C., Royal Signals—a son.

BARBER-STARKEY.—On April 18, 1930, at a nursing home in London, to STELLA, the wife of CHARLES CECIL BARBER-STARKEY, Badingham, Suffolk—a son.

BENN.—On Easter Sunday, 1930, at 48, Pembroke-square, to JOHN and URSULA BENN—a daughter (SUSAN)

BREWSTER.—On April 17, 1930, at British Hospital, Paris, to DULCIE (née Meadus), wife of JOHN BREWSTER—the gift of a daughter.

CORY.—On April 17, 1930, at Broom Hall, Shooters-hill, to DOLORES, wife of CAPTAIN H. C. CORY, M.C., R.A.—a son.

DAVIES.—On April 18, 1930, at New Milton, Hants, to SHEBA (née Densham), wife of CAPT. R. D. DAVIES, R.E.—a daughter.

FIELD.—On April 19, 1930, at Oaklawn, Lawrie Park-road, S.E.19, to HILDA, wife of HAROLD H. FIELD, The White Cottage, Grange Hill, S.E.25—a son.

HICKLING.—On April 17, 1930, at The Lions, Park Hill, Moseley, to HESTER, wife of CHARLES L. HICKLING—a son (JOHN MICHAEL).

HUTT.—On April 19, 1930, at Appley Cottage, Ashmore Green, Newbury, to the wife of J. G. HUTT—a daughter.

MACKENZIE.—On April 14, 1930, at Ulcombeden, Hawkhurst, to HILDA, wife of COLIN MACKENZIE—a son. (Rhodesian papers, please copy.)

MARTIN TOMSON.—On April 17, 1930, at 27, Welbeck-street, to DELPHINE, wife of W. J. MARTIN TOMSON—a son.

PARIS.—On April 17, 1930, at 27, Welbeck-street, W.1, to EVELYN (CHERRY), wife of CAPTAIN D. K. PARIS, M.C., Royal Artillery—a son.

ROUSE.—On April 17, 1930, at "Colleton," Broadwater-road, Worthing, to NANCY (née Murray), wife of DR. JAMES ROUSE—a daughter.

SHIELDS.—On April 15, 1930, to DR. and MRS. D. G. SHIELDS, Wroxham, Norwich—a daughter.

TAYLOR.—On April 17, 1930, at Prague, to MARGOT (née Simpson), wife of CAPTAIN J. W. TAYLOR, H.M.'s Vice-Consul at Prague—a daughter.

WOLSEY.—On April 16, 1930, at "Brodsworth," Haslemere, Surrey, to CONSTANCE ELIZABETH, wife of THOMAS WOLSEY—a daughter.

MARRIAGES

BOUSFIELD : KENT.—On April 10, 1930, at All Saints Church, Bordighera, by the Rev. Basil Moutray, M.A., COMMANDER H. H. BOUSFIELD, of H.M.S. Nelson, to EDITH MARGARET, elder daughter of COLONEL and MRS. H. V. KENT.

FORBES : RUTHERFORD.—On April 16, 1930, at Brompton Oratory, by the Rev. Father John Talbot, REGINALD, eldest son of the late CAPTAIN C. H. FORBES, R.N., and Mrs. Forbes, of Oatlands Drive, Weybridge, to MARGARET EVELYN, elder daughter of the late G. M. RUTHERFORD, Esq., and Lady Margaret Rutherford, of 31, Sloane-court, S.W.3.

HOWICK : GODDARD.—On April 19, 1930, at the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and S. Joseph, Battersea Park, by the Rev. E. Daly, CHARLES HENRY HOWICK, of 26, Baronsfield-road, Twickenham, to PHOEBE GODDARD, of 32, Albert Palace-mansions, Battersea Park.

McCLINTOCK : GLEDSTANES.—On April 9, 1930, at St. MacCairthinn's Cathedral, Clogher, MAJOR H. F. McCLINTOCK, eldest son of the late Admiral Sir Leopold McClintock, K.C.B., to MARION, younger daughter of the late MOUTRAY GLEDSTANES, of Fardross, Co. Tyrone.

MARR JOHNSON : TRAVERS.—On April 17, 1930, at St. Paul's Church, Addlestone, by the Rev. H. E. Jackson, PATRICK MARR JOHNSON, B.A., only son of the late Brigadier-General R. Marr Johnson and Mrs. Marr Johnson, to NANCYE NEWENHAM, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. TRAVERS.

GOLDEN WEDDING

CLARKE : TAYLOR.—On April 20, 1880, at Holy Trinity Church, Marylebone, CAPTAIN T. S. CLARKE, 60th Rifles, eldest son of the late Thomas Sydenham Clarke, J.P., D.L., of Kingsdowne House, near Dover, to JANIE, youngest daughter of the late REVD. HENRY JOHN TAYLOR, of Dulverton, and Beauchamp, Tiverton. Present address: Sandown Lawn, Cheltenham.

DEATHS

BATES.—On Good Friday, April 18, 1930, at Gyrn Castle, Flintshire, CONSTANCE ELISABETH, widow of SIR EDWARD PERCY BATES, second Baronet, in her 74th year. Funeral at Childwall 2.30 p.m. to-morrow (Tuesday). Flowers to Woolwright and Co., Bold-street, Liverpool, by noon Tuesday. A memorial service will be held at Llanasa Church at 2.30 p.m. the same day.

BEVAN.—On April 17, 1930, at Maesteilo, Newcastle-Emlyn, South Wales, HENRY CROOK BEVAN, aged 71.

BEVAN.—On Easter Eve, 1930, FANNY, the dearly beloved wife of LLEWELYN W. BEVAN, vicar of Babbacombe. Service 10.15 a.m., All Saints, Wednesday, April 23. Funeral at Trull, Somerset, 1 p.m.

BOUTFLOWER.—On Good Friday, 1930, at 1, Woodfield-road, Redland, Bristol, MARY SAVORY, the beloved wife of the REV. CHARLES BOUTFLOWER, late Vicar of Terling, Essex, aged 80 years.

BROOK.—On Saturday, April 19, 1930, at Ditchling, CHARLES B. W. BROOK, late of The Cottage, Geddington. Funeral at Ditchling Church 2.30 Wednesday. No flowers, by request.

BRYANT.—On the morning of Good Friday, April 18, 1930, at Three Sevens, Broughton, Hants, ANNA BRYANT, wife of G. R. Bryant, in her 82nd year and on the 62nd anniversary of her wedding. No flowers.

BULLARD.—On April 17, 1930, at Bath, IAN AINSLIE, the infant son of CAPTAIN and MRS. D. A. BULLARD, Burma Rifles.

BURY.—On April 18, 1930, at Colchester Hospital, suddenly after an operation, WILLIAM BURY, for 30 years Rector of Great and Little Henny, Essex, in his 63rd year. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday), 2.30, at Henny.

CHURSTON.—On April 19, 1930, at Laleham House, Laleham, Middlesex, JOHN REGINALD LOPES, third BARON CHURSTON, aged 56. Arrangements to be announced later.

CLIFFORD.—On April 17, 1930, at Christchurch, New Zealand, SIR GEORGE CLIFFORD, Bt., aged 82. R.I.P.

CORFIELD.—On Good Friday, April 18, 1930, at The Devonport Nurses' Club, 82, Oxford-terrace, W.2, ADA CORFIELD, aged 50. Funeral at Paddington Cemetery, Willesden-lane, on Wednesday at 12. Flowers may be sent to J. H. Kenyon, Ltd., 45, Edgware-road, W.2.

COX.—On April 17, 1930, at 74, Onslow-gardens, Muswell Hill, ERNEST MCKENZIE COX.

DALLAS.—On April 18, 1930, at 37, Lammas Park-road, Ealing, EMILY JANET, the beloved wife of the late E. F. DALLAS, Indo-European Telegraph, in her 81th year. Funeral St. Mary's Church, Wednesday, 2.30 p.m.

DAVIDSON.—On Good Friday, 1930, at Toronto, Canada, MRS. JOHN I. DAVIDSON, wife of the late Colonel John I. Davidson, of Toronto.

DAVIS.—On April 16, 1930, at The Shaw, Oxted, Surrey, ESSIE FLORA DAVIS, third daughter of the late Francis Arthur Davis, formerly of Ladywood, Malmesbury, in her 64th year. Requiem Mass at All Saints, Oxted, on Wednesday, April 23, at 10.30 a.m. Interment at Dominican Priory, Woodchester, Stroud, same day, at 5 p.m. R.I.P.

DOBBS.—On April 16, 1930, at Faughanvale Rectory, Eglinton, Co. Londonderry, CANON ARTHUR VAUGHAN DOBBS, M.A., elder son of the late Arthur Macaulay Dobbs, late Rector of Loughgall, Co. Armagh. Funeral took place at Eglinton on Good Friday, and was conducted by the Lord Bishop of Derry and Raphoe.

DOWNES.—On April 19, 1930, at 18, Fairmount-road, Bexhill-on-Sea, JAMES RATHBONE DOWNES, Civil Engineer (retired), aged 92 years. Funeral private. Friends, accept this, the only intimation. No flowers.

DUKE.—On April 19, 1930, passed peacefully away at Clarence House, Marina, Bexhill, CHARLES GEORGE STEPHEN CHAPMAN DUKE, late of Lee Farm and Littlehampton. Funeral Lyminster, to-morrow (Tuesday), at 12 noon.

DYMOND.—On April 18, 1930, at St. Andrew's Close, Ashburton, JOSEPHINE ELIZABETH DYMOND, Deaconess, younger daughter of the late Robert Dymond, F.S.A., of Exeter and Blackslade, Widecombe-in-the-Moor, aged 68. Funeral to-day (Monday), at Ashburton Church, at 2.30.

FELTHAM.—On April 16, 1930, at St. Hélène, Queen's-road, Guernsey, ROBERT ERNEST DALTON FELTHAM, formerly of New Burlington-street, London, W.

FORSTER.—On April 17, 1930, at The Grange, Sutton, Surrey, SIR RALPH COLLINGWOOD FORSTER, Bart., D.L., in his 81st year. Funeral service at Christ Church, Sutton, to-morrow (Tuesday), at 2. Interment at Bromley Cemetery. No flowers.

FRANKLIN.—On April 17, 1930, ELIZABETH EMERALD, the dearly loved little daughter of CAPTAIN H. G. C. FRANKLIN, Royal Navy, and Helen, his wife, aged 1½ year. Funeral, Instow, Devon, Saturday.

GLANELY.—On Good Friday, April 18, 1930, suddenly, at Exning House, Newmarket, ADA MARY, the beloved wife of LORD GLANELY, aged 54. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday), leaving "Tregarth," Creigiau, Glamorgan, at 10.30 a.m. for Croesfaen Church. Interment taking place at Cardiff Cemetery at noon. A memorial service will be held at Exning Church on same day at noon.

GLENN.—On Good Friday, April 18, 1930, MARY EILEEN, youngest daughter of the late Herbert J. Leigh-Bennett, and darling wife of WALTER WILLIAM GLENN, M.C. (late R.A.), of Potters Cross Farm, Kinver, Staffordshire, aged 29 years. Requiem Mass, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday, April 23, at Our Lady and All Saints, Stourbridge, followed by a service at 2.30 p.m. at the church and 3 p.m. at Stourbridge Borough Cemetery. Cars will be at Stourbridge Junction to meet the 1.25 p.m. from Birmingham, connecting with the 11.10 a.m. from Paddington. R.I.P.

DEATHS (continued)

GODDARD.—On April 17, 1930, at 3, Grassmere-road, Boscombe, ALICE, the dearly loved wife of ERNEST GODDARD, late of Newcastle-circus, The Park, Nottingham.

GOODMAN.—On April 17, 1930, JOSEPHINE CUNLIFFE GOODMAN, of 47, St. Barnabas-road, Cambridge. Memorial service at Emanuel Congregational Church, Cambridge, at 12, Wednesday, April 23. No flowers.

GRAHAM.—On April 18, 1930, at Staines, GRACE GORDON GRAHAM, widow of Colonel Otway Mayne Graham, Indian Army.

HAINE.—On April 16, 1930, at Pooley Lodge, Egham, Surrey, FREDERICK WILLIAM HAINE, aged 82.

HATCHARD.—On April 17, 1930, at Broadstairs, ROSA HATCHARD, late of Glendore, Tunbridge Wells.

HAYDEN.—On April 17, 1930, LELIA FLORENCE (PHYL), the dearly beloved wife of HARRY DAVIS HAYDEN, of "Bramley," Attenborough, Notts.

HERIZ-SMITH.—Suddenly, at a nursing home, EDITH LETITIA HERIZ-SMITH, fourth daughter of the late Henry Joseph Smith, of Worthing. Funeral service took place at Broadwater Church, near Worthing, on Saturday April 19.

HORNE.—On April 20, 1930, at Whitby, HANNAH DOROTHY (DORA), loved wife of FREDERICK WILLIAM HORNE, aged 65. To be interred at Lythe, Wednesday, 3 p.m.

JOSEPH.—On April 17, 1930, at 11, Gloucester-terrace, W., the REV. MORRIS JOSEPH, Minister Emeritus of the West London Synagogue, in his 82nd year. The funeral will leave the synagogue, 34, Upper Berkeley-street, W., at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 23, for the Golders Green Jewish Cemetery, Hoop-lane, N.W. A memorial service will be held at the synagogue at 6 p.m. on the same day.

KAY.—On April 19, 1930, at The Llan, Hyssington, ARTHUR HETHERINGTON, dearly loved husband of MAUDE MARY KAY, youngest son of the late James Clarkson and Margaret Kay, of Bury, Lancashire, and Hyssington, Montgomeryshire. Funeral Hyssington Church, Wednesday, April 23, at 2 p.m.

LHOYD-OWEN.—On April 14, 1930, at Leysin, Switzerland, from the effects of gas-poisoning in the Great War, ERIC EWART LHOYD-OWEN, formerly 2nd Lieut., L.N. Lancs Regt., the beloved husband of Elizabeth Lhoyd-Owen and son of the Rev. R. W. and Mrs. Lhoyd-Owen, aged 31.

MACKENZIE.—On April 17, 1930, at "The Sunbeam," Mannamead, Plymouth, MARGARET ELLEN MACKENZIE, widow of Captain William Bowen Mackenzie, R.N., and daughter of the late Rev. G. R. Dupuis, Rector of Sessay, Yorks.

MILLARD.—On April 17, 1930, at Gold Thorns, Colwyn Bay, ALBERT EDWARD MILLARD, aged 53. Funeral service St. Paul's, Colwyn Bay, 2.45 p.m., to-morrow (Tuesday). Interment follows at Llandrillo Church, 3.30 p.m.

MORAY.—On Saturday, April 19, 1930, at Darnaway Castle, Forres, the RIGHT HONOURABLE MORTON GRAY STUART, 17th EARL OF MORAY. Funeral at Darnaway, on Wednesday, April 23, at 2 p.m. No flowers.

NICHOLS.—On Easter Eve, 1930, at Stour Lodge, Bradfield, Essex, WALTER BUCHANAN NICHOLS, aged 69. Funeral Bradfield Wednesday, April 23, 2.30.

OLIVER.—On April 19, 1930, at Hamlet-gardens, ADELAIDE, dearly beloved wife of CAPTAIN CHARLES ALDWORTH OLIVER, M.C., and widow of the Rev. C. Fryer Eastburn, Rural Dean, of Medbourne Rectory and Nevill Holt, Leicestershire.

PAINE.—On Good Friday, 1930, at "The Cheynes," Sutton Valence, NORA, eldest daughter of the late HENRY PAINE, aged 57.

PEGRAM.—On April 16, 1930, at the Hospital for Officers, Scio House, Putney Heath, HENRY LAMBERT PEGRAM, ex-Captain, Middlesex Regiment, aged 45 years.

PETRE.—On April 18, 1930, at Twyford Abbey, GERALD, fifth son of the late the HONBLE. H. W. PETRE, of Writtle.

PHILIPPS.—On April 18, 1930, at Llanstephan, Llyswen, GEOFFREY, fourth son of SIR LAURENCE and LADY PHILIPPS, aged 21.

RAVENHILL.—On April 17, 1930, at 139, Peppard-road, Caversham, HARRY STUART, Col., C.M.G., late R.A.P.C. and R.S. Fusiliers, very dearly loved husband of the Hon. Mrs. RAVENHILL.

ROLLES.—On Good Friday, 1930, at Walsingham, Cheltenham, ADA LOUISA, eldest daughter of the late EDWARD ROLLES, aged 82.

SEWARD.—On April 17, 1930, at 8, Bembridge-crescent, Southsea, SAMUEL THOMAS SEWARD, eldest son of the late Samuel Seward, of Weston, Petersfield, aged 66 years. Funeral at Buriton to-morrow (Tuesday), at 2.30.

SLADEN.—On April 17, 1930, at Whiteholm, West Moors, Dorset, LIEUT.-COLONEL JOSEPH SLADEN, R.A., formerly of Ripple Court, Dover, in his 90th year. Funeral service at the Cemetery, Sidmouth, to-morrow (Tuesday), at 3 p.m. No flowers. Train leaves Waterloo 11 a.m.

SMITH.—On April 16, 1930, suddenly, at 1, West View, Seaford, CLARA, widow of the REV. W. J. SMITH, M.A.

STILEMAN.—On April 17, 1930, at Burstow, Shortheath, Farnham, EDGAR CROUGHTON, beloved husband of ANNIE MAUDE STILEMAN, aged 71.

STRETTON.—On April 19, 1930, suddenly, after an operation, EDWARD STRETTON ("BLOB" SILLWARD), of 95, Tulse-hill. Funeral at West Norwood Cemetery, Wednesday, April 23, at 2.30.

WALKER.—On April 19, 1930, at 7, Bellevue-road, AYR, JANE WALKER, third daughter of the late Rev. W. Montgomery Walker, Minister of Ochiltree, Ayrshire.

WARD.—On April 19, 1930, suddenly, whilst riding, HERBERT ISORSON WARD (DICK), of Little Flanchford, Leigh, near Reigate, and of Messrs. Mackrell, Ward and Knight, of 35, Walbrook, E.C.4, in his 68th year. Funeral service at Reigate Parish Church on Thursday, April 24, at 11 a.m. Cars at Redhill Station 10.42. Please, no flowers.

WELCH.—On April 19, 1930, at Stubbs End, Chesham Bois, Bucks, MARY QUENILDA, the beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. D. WELCH, aged 19.

WETHEY.—On April 17, 1930, at a nursing home in Bournemouth, CONSTANCE MARY, beloved wife of E. R. WETHEY, of Wharfedale, West Moors, Dorset, aged 66.

WILLIS.—On Good Friday, 1930, at Willesden, Montpellier, Cheltenham, FREDERICK WILLIAM WILLIS, formerly Rector of Warrington and Hon. Canon of Liverpool Cathedral, in his 88th year. Funeral at Warrington Parish Church on Wednesday next, at 2 p.m.

WILSON.—On April 16, 1930, at "Ocka," Alresford, Hants, EDITH VIOLET, widow of CAPT. RICHARD WILSON, Gordon Highlanders, daughter of the late M. H. Lister, Esq., late of Burwell Park, Louth, Lincolnshire.

IN MEMORIAM

ON ACTIVE SERVICE

CARVICK WEBSTER.—In loving memory of JACK, 2nd Lieut., S.H., killed Battle of Istabulat, April 21, 1917, aged 19.

"No morning dawns, no night begins,
But what I think of thee,
Beloved son of mine."—MOTHER.

LUARD.—In ever-loving memory of LIEUT.-COL. E. B. LUARD, D.S.O., K.S.L.I., Ypres-Langemarche Road, April 21-24, 1916. "Aucto splendore resurgo."

PINCHING.—In loving memory of MINDEN CHARLES CARDIGAN PINCHING, D.S.O., Major, "Queen's Bays," April 20, 1917.

PRICE.—In loving memory of my husband, CAPT. J. T. PRICE, M.C., R.A., and my brother, LT. T. J. O'BRIEN, R.A., killed in France, April 21 and Aug. 7, 1916. R.I.P.

WREFORD.—In unfading memory of our beloved son, BERTRAM WILLIAM HEYMAN WREFORD, Captain, 1st Battn. Devonshire Regt., killed at La Coulotte, Lens, April 20, 1917.

"For ever with the Lord."

WROUGHTON.—In proud and loving memory of my dearly loved son, PHILIP MUSGRAVE NEELD WROUGHTON, Major, Berkshire Yeomanry, fell in action, Second Battle of Gaza, Palestine, April 19, 1917, aged 29; and of his dear younger brother, CHRISTOPHER CHARDIN WROUGHTON, died April 18, 1903, aged 13. "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you."

BARTHOLOMEW.—HILDA JULIA BARTHOLOMEW. In ever-loving memory of my darling HILDA, who passed peacefully away April 21 (Good Friday), 1905.

Thy will be done.

CAREW.—To the everlasting memory of the REVD. W. H. CAREW, M.A. (Oxon.), M.C., who died on April 21, 1922, aged 33.—IVY, DENIS, JOHN, JOE.

Out of the darkness into His most marvellous light.

COOPER.—In tender memory of the REV. W. H. COOPER, late of Burleigh Hall, Loughborough, who passed away, at 45, St. Martin's, Stamford, on April 21, 1903.

CORELLI.—In loving memory of MARIE CORELLI, who spent her life in upholding the highest ideals, who passed onward Easter Monday, April 21, 1924. "Amor vincit."—BERTHA VYVER.

GRUNDY.—April 21, 1914.—In ever-loving memory of the REV. C. H. GRUNDY, M.A., Vicar St. Peter, Brockley, and Rural Dean of Greenwich.

HARRISON.—In sweet and blessed memory of my darling husband, the REV. JOHN CHARLES HARRISON, who fell asleep in Jesus, April 19, 1929. Philippians i. 3.

HEALEY.—In ever-living memory of REV. WYNN HEALEY, who died April 21, 1925.

Friends mourned your life as wasted when you failed
To win Renown your talents could have claimed,
And died in exile. While Enemies who blamed
Your sympathy for sinners, and assailed
You for it, like your Lord and Master, hailed
Its official censure with unashamed
Applause. Blind to the best in you, they defamed
The Passion-wounds for which you were impaled.

They were astounded when a Bishop stood
Beside your bier and cried in exultation
"Alleluia!" Malice may oft miss fire.
Your pardoned foes will die, their reputation
Perish, while yours, which they thought marred for good,
Will live revered in lines Love will inspire.

F. C. D.

LUCAS.—To the radiant memory of our darling father and mother, JOSEPH LUCAS, died April 20, 1926, ELIZABETH STONIE LUCAS, died Dec. 31, 1911.

Ever most deeply mourned.

MARRIOTT, HERBERT, Jr.—In ever-loving and constant memory of my precious husband "B," who passed to the other Life on April 21, 1921.

PALMER.—To the dear memory of FREDERICK STEPHEN PALMER, M.S., F.R.C.P., who died at Kew, April 21, 1926.—M. P., C. M. C.

SCHOFIELD.—To the dear and honoured memory of a great Doctor, writer, lecturer, ALFRED TAYLOR SCHOFIELD, M.D., F.R.C.S., who passed into the nearer Presence of his Lord on April 20, 1929.

"We thank God for every remembrance of you."

SELWYN.—In remembrance of H. JASPER SELWYN, who passed hence April 21, 1919.

Life's fever o'er,
Will there be any heart still memory keeping
Of heretofore.

STAPLE.—In loving memory of our dear son, THEODORE, June 15, 1905—April 21, 1925.

WELFORD.—In loving memory of RICHARD WILLIAM WELFORD, who died on April 20, 1923.

PERSONAL

NANCY.—Please collect letters at General Post Office. Have given promise.—Daddy.

THE charge for announcements in the Personal Column is 10s. for two lines (minimum) and 5s. for each additional line. Trade announcements 25s. for two lines and 12s. 6d. for each additional line. Lost and Found Notices 2s. 6d. per line (minimum two lines). A line comprises about six words. Private numbers, if added, form part of the advertisement and are charged for. Names and addresses of actual advertisers should accompany all advertisements, not for publication, unless desired, but as a guarantee of good faith. For index to other classifications see column seven.

LOST on Sunday, April 6th, between Clifford-street and Curzon-street, possibly in taxi, DIAMOND and SAPPHIRE BRACELET. Reward will be paid to finder.—Write Box S.366, The Times, E.C.4.

WILL MRS. HUGH STEWART kindly TELEPHONE WELWYN 22? Address evidently incorrectly taken down.

I, RICHARD JOHN WALDIE GRIFFITH, Bart., of Hendersyde Park, Kelso, Scotland, and Villa Veles, Cannes, desire the general public to know that any paper or document, legal or otherwise, signed by me after this date, 16th April, 1930, will be illegal, unless my solicitors, whosoever they shall be, consult with my wife, Alice Maud Waldie Griffith, of the above addresses, who holds my sole Power of Attorney to act for me in my interests and on my behalf as she thinks fit.

RECTOR, PITSEA, ESSEX, OFFERED £700 now if £300 can be raised within few weeks to clear mortgage £1,000.

FURNITURE FREE.—To avoid storage owner is willing to lend good pre-War furniture for cost of removal and maintenance; three sitting-rooms, five bed rooms.—Apply Hicks, 8, Halton Village, Bucks.

LADY VICTORIA HERBERT'S FUND for BRITISH EX-PRISONERS of WAR APPEALS for money to assist needy cases and also for clothing.—Please reply to 20, Talbot-square, W.2.

BAYREUTH.—WANTED, ONE or TWO SEATS for first seven performances (July 22-31) next Music Festival; reasonable premium.—Write Box G.1348, The Times, E.C.4.

GENTLEWOMAN, 27, URGENTLY seeks WORK, secretarial, household; no honest work refused; whole/part time.—Write Box N.541, The Times, E.C.4.

FUR CRUSADE against skinning beasts alive and other horrors. Demand humane furs.—Write to Major Van der Byl, Wappenham, Towcester.

DOES anyone know of a very SMALL SEWING MACHINE de Luxe, say 8in. by 8in., LOCK-STITCH, for very thin materials, chiffons, silks, for voyages or small flats?—Write Box N.546, The Times, E.C.4.

GUY'S HOSPITAL, S.E.1, URGENTLY NEEDS HELP. TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENDITURE £180,000. PRESENT DEBT OVER £120,000.

GENTLEMAN with superior CAR and extensive driving experience offers his SERVICES to anyone requiring special care and comfort for touring, &c.; distance no object; reasonable charges.—Write W., care of White Hart Garage, Wimbledon, S.W.19.

700 MEALS HUNGRY POOR. Sundays 5 o'clock. Cost £20. Please help F. N. CHARRINGTON, Hon. Supt., Great Assembly Hall, Mile End-road, E.1.

£20 from LORD WAKEFIELD and £20 from R. H. ARTINDALE, Esq., for the above FREE TEAS gratefully acknowledged.

BRAZILIAN COUPLE with 4-year-old DAUGHTER desire ROOM and BOARD in private family within 30 minutes of City. A real home desired. References exchanged. Please give full particulars in first reply.—Write Box A.768, The Times, E.C.4.

£50,000 Urgently REQUIRED for DEVELOPMENT of OAKHILL JOURNALISTS' HOME. All donations, large or small, gratefully received by the Duke of Northumberland (Chairman, Appeal Committee), or the Duchess of Richmond and Gordon (Chairman, Ladies' Appeal Committee), Byron House, 7, St. James's-street, S.W.1.

FOR SALE, near LEATHERHEAD, delightful WEEK-END COTTAGE, adjoining golf links; three bed, two sitting rooms, bath; gas, electric light; telephone.—Write Box S.372, The Times, E.C.4.

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THE Proprietors of The Times have placed this space at the disposal of the British Legion Officers' Association Employment Bureau, 3-4, Clement's Inn, Strand, London, W.C.2 (Telephone, Holborn 5769), to whom all replies should be addressed, quoting number of advertisement, date of insertion, and the name of this paper.

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Narkunda	16,500	Parker	May 30	June 6
‡Cathay	15,000	Griffin	June 13	June 19
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*WARFIELD	6,060	Apr. 26	May 3	May 10
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* Calls Tangier. † Calls Jeddah

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MADURA	9,077	—	Apr. 30	May 10	May 17
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BERENGARIA .. May 3 MAURETANIA May 10

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*CARONIA - - - APRIL 26

†SCYTHIA .. May 3 *SAMARIA .. May 10

* Via Belfast, not Cobh. † Calls Galway and Boston.

SOUTHAMPTON—CHERBOURG—QUEBEC—MONTREAL.

†ALAUNIA - - - APRIL 25

*AUSONIA .. May 2 AURANIA .. May 9

* Calls Cobh. † Calls Cardiff.

LIVERPOOL—GLASGOW—BELFAST—QUEBEC—MONTREAL.

ANTONIA - - - APRIL 25

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(2) †Adriatic Sat., May 3 | (2) Baltic .. Sat., May 17

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LIVERPOOL—QUEBEC—MONTREAL.

Doric .. Fri., Apl. 25 | Laurentic .. Fri., May 16
Albertic .. Fri., May 9 | Doric .. Fri., May 30

SOUTHAMPTON—QUEBEC—MONTREAL.

Megantic .. Sat., May 3 (Via Galway.)

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(5) Lapland .. May 3

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POINT-TO-POINT RACES

THE HAMBLEDON

The Hambledon Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Liss on Saturday afternoon in bad weather.

The results were:—

LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. J. Corbett's STATESMAN (Owner), 1; Lieutenant-Colonel R. H. Carrington's ABBESS (Captain H. R. Dubern), 2; Mr. H. Warner's AGAR (Owner), 3.

5TH FIELD BRIGADE, ROYAL ARTILLERY, RACE.—Lieutenant-Colonel M. R. Struver's JACKNAPES (Mr. H. R. Massey), 1; Mr. C. L. Adderley's ST. VALERIE (Mr. J. A. Smith), 2; Mr. R. R. Crompton's TOM BOY (Owner), 3.

ADJACENT HUNTS LADIES' RACE.—Miss U. Swanston's JUDY (Owner) walked over.

ROYAL ARMY VETERINARY CORPS RACE.—Captain E. S. O'Kelly's KNIGHT BREAKER (Owner), 1; Major C. W. Townsend's TRAVEL ON (Owner), 2; Major R. R. Boyce's PUCKAWN (Owner), 3.

NOMINATION RACE.—Mr. H. Biles's BOOMITE (Owner), 1; Mr. W. R. Norman's ALERT VI. (Owner), 2; Mr. J. D. Young's SILVER LANE (Owner), 3.

WELTER-WEIGHT RACE.—Miss N. Garton's ADVENTURER (Mr. J. Corbett), 1; Mr. A. W. Keith's BADGER (Owner), 2; Captain H. H. Dubern's TAILOR (Owner), 3.

ASHFORD VALLEY

The Ashford Valley Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Barnfield Farm, Charing, on Saturday, in bad weather.

The results were:—

MEMBERS' LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. R. Roote's UNEXPECTED (Mr. W. Knowles), 1; Captain G. Catling's TISHY (Owner), 2.

NOMINATION RACE.—Mr. R. Courage's CUTHBERT (Owner), 1; Mr. T. B. Maclean's TREGENNA (Mr. G. C. Gray), 2; Mr. W. L. Dawes' RAVEN (Owner), 3.

THE CARABINIERS REGIMENTAL RACE.—Captain G. Catling's MULTUM IN PARVO (Owner), 1; Captain S. V. Horn's PELANDER (Owner), 2; Mr. N. Cliff's CHRIS (Owner), 3.

MEMBERS' HEAVY-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. R. Roote's CHARLESTON (Mr. W. Knowles), 1; Mr. G. Dollar's POOH (Owner), 2; Captain E. S. Dawes's TALLY HO (Owner), 3.

ADJACENT HUNTS RACE.—Mr. K. Urquhart's CASTLE GREIS (Owner), 1; the Hon. Dorothy Paget's HONEST BOY (Dr. T. Body), 2; the Hon. Dorothy Paget's SNAPPER (Captain E. S. Dawes), 3.

FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. W. Day's RUFUS (Owner), 1; Mr. W. Horne's SKINFLINT (Owner), 2; Mr. T. Harris's KING WILLIAM (Owner), 3.

THE MIDDLETON

The Middleton Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Whitwell, near Malton.

The results were:—

MEMBERS' LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. R. F. Wormald's BEEFORD (Owner), 1; Lady Chesterfield's KETERI (Sir Peter Grant Lawson), 2; Captain E. Dawnay's BANKRUPT (Owner), 3. Seven ran.

ADJACENT HUNTS FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. G. Plummer's JINGLET (Mr. W. H. Wellburn), 1; Mr. G. England's LECONFIELD (Owner), 2. Three ran; only two finished.

NOMINATION OPEN RACE.—Captain L. E. Kettle's ROUGE SEAL (Owner), 1; Captain H. Whitworth's THE BUN (Mr. W. H. Wellburn), 2; Mr. R. S. Stancliffe's SCOTCH CORNER (Captain T. E. Smith), 3. Nine ran.

LOCAL FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. E. Parke's FIRST VENTURE (Owner), 1; Mr. H. F. N. Robinson's FLORAL LETTER (Owner), 2; Mr. G. Shipley's RED BRIAR (Mr. G. Ulyatt), 3. Five ran.

MEMBERS' HEAVY-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. S. Endersby's GLENCAIRN (Owner), 1; Major E. N. S. Grimshaw's DRAINPIPE (Owner), 2; Mr. F. G. S. Whitstone's TOWER OF BABEL (Owner), 3. Four ran.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE

The Hertfordshire Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held in bad weather at Friar's Wash, near Harpenden, on Saturday. Major T. A. Motion and Mr. F. N. Braund were the judges.

The results were:—

SUBSCRIBERS' RACE.—Mr. B. W. Mills's CHANCELLOR (Mr. T. Masson), 1; Mr. W. H. Cooper's YEOMAN II. (Mr. C. C. Beechener), 2; Mr. A. S. Ginger's FARMER (Mr. T. Robinson), 3.

ADJACENT HUNTS FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. T. H. Merrick's MOSSTOI (Mr. H. Haynes), 1; Mr. W. Connolly's HORWOOD LAD (Mr. C. C. Beechener), 2; Mr. W. Abraham's MISS MUFFIT (Owner), 3.

NOMINATION OPEN RACE.—Mrs. Digby-Whitehead's LADY VICTORIA (Captain F. V. Spooner), 1; Miss N. E. Pike's THIRD CALL (Mr. T. P. Hicks), 2; Miss D. V. Gosling's HAZEL TREE (Mr. C. Bonner), 3.

ADJACENT HUNTS RACE.—Mr. R. J. Norbury's IRISH LIGHT (Owner), 1; Lady Cruise's JO JO (Sir Richard Cruise), 2; Mr. D. Fraser's BON (Mr. E. Blackley), 3.

LOCAL FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. W. Warby's TRUE BLUE III. (Mr. T. Masson), 1; Mr. F. Lawrence's HAYFIELD BOY (Mr. G. Roberts), 2; Mr. F. Lawrence's WHY NOT (Mr. C. N. Brownhill), 3.

WYLYE VALLEY

The Wylye Valley Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Norridge Farm, Warminster, on Saturday.

The results were:—

MEMBERS' LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE.—Mrs. R. Burgoyne's DASHING DICK (Mr. R. Baker), 1; Mr. D. Smith's FLYING SPUR (Owner), 2; Mr. F. L. Hayden's LITTLE BLACK BOY (Owner), 3.

ADJACENT HUNTS MAIDEN RACE.—Mrs. E. Long's RED QUEEN (Sir Gerald Fuller), 1; Mr. F. V. Scullo's AVON VALE MERMAID (Captain E. Palmer), 2. Seven ran; only two finished.

ADJACENT HUNTS LADIES' RACE.—Mrs. R. Standish's SAMMY (Owner), 1; Miss S. E. Kilner's GAME LASS (Owner), 2; Mrs. A. Edwards's ROBIN VI. (Owner), 3. Nine ran.

ADJACENT HUNTS FARMERS' RACE.—Miss F. Hunt's WALRUS II. (Mr. H. Phillips), 1; Mr. J. F. Tozer's INCONSISTENCY (Owner), 2; Mr. C. H. Rogers's CHARLIE (Owner), 3. Ten ran.

MEMBERS' HEAVY-WEIGHT RACE.—Major R. Burgoyne's NUTMEG (Owner), 1; Major R. Burgoyne's CLANMORE (Mr. H. Brown), 2; Mr. S. White's UPTON LAD (Mr. T. Moore), 3. Five ran.

THE PENTYRCH

The Pentyrch Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Pentyrch, near Cardiff.

The results were:—

ADJACENT HUNTS' RACE.—Mr. H. C. R. Homfray's PING PONG (Mr. R. C. Morel), 1; Mr. G. L. Clay's ACTRESS (Owner), 2; Miss Lloyd Thomas's SIREN (Mr. W. Walwyn), 3. Nine ran.

MEMBERS' LIGHT-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. C. Tarbet's PEGGY (Owner), 1; Mr. A. Barrett's PRIDE (Mr. W. J. Williams), 2; Mr. G. L. Harris's BROKEN GLASS (Mr. M. Jones), 3. Five ran.

MEMBERS' HEAVY-WEIGHT RACE.—Mr. E. L. Whitwell's CHARLIE WILKIN (Mr. W. J. Williams), 1; Mr. W. R. Tristram's AGHADA (Owner), 2; Mr. R. D. Cory's SHAVARDI (Mr. F. W. Alexander), 3. Four ran.

LOCAL FARMERS' RACE.—Miss G. Morgan's PEGGY (Mr. L. Croft), 1; Mr. T. Evans's TWIG (Owner), 2; Mr. R. Burt's FOREST PRIDE (Owner), 3. Five ran.

ADJACENT HUNTS PONY RACE.—Mr. J. Stalen's JULIET (Mr. R. Bowen), 1; Mr. G. C. Rooney's RIPPLE (Mr. D. Rooney), 2. Five ran; only two finished.

THE NEWMARKET AND THURLOW

The Newmarket and Thurlow Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Thurlow in fair weather. The results were:—

NOMINATION OPEN RACE.—Mr. E. Shank's RASTUS (Owner), 1; Mr. K. Urquhart's DARRACQ (Owner), 2; Mr. W. Price's DAY CORONET (Mr. J. Price), 3. Nine ran. Won by three lengths.

MEMBERS' RACE.—Dr. J. Edwards's SIMON McGREGOR (Mr. J. Frank), 1; Mr. E. Dawson's JUST NIPPER (Mr. K. Urquhart), 2. Three ran. Won by 20 lengths.

ADJACENT HUNTS RACE.—Mr. E. Hay's TELL TALE (Mr. T. Hurrell), 1; Mr. W. Price's PUSSYFOOT IV. (Mr. J. Price), 2; Lieutenant-Colonel A. Dalton-White's JOYBOX II. (Owner), 3. Ten ran. Won by nine lengths.

ADJACENT HUNTS LADIES' RACE.—Mr. R. W. Collings's LUCIFER (Miss Parry), 1; Miss Wentworth-Reeves's UNDEFEATED (Owner), 2; Miss Dalton-White's FLYING SPRAY II. (Owner), 3. Four ran. Won by three lengths.

LOCAL FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. H. Webb's THE MEAD (Owner), 1; Mr. E. Bedford's WHISKY (Mr. J. Frank), 2. Three ran. Won by a distance.

THE SOUTH BERKSHIRE

The South Berkshire Hunt Point-to-Point Races were held at Little Park Farm, Mortimer, near Reading, over a $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles course, all of which was grass. The card comprised six events, two of which were military races.

The results were:—

MEMBERS' RACE.—Sir William Mount's SPRING GATE (Mr. R. Mount), 1; Lieutenant-Colonel O. C. Clare's ANGEL III. (Mr. D. R. Clare), 2; Mr. R. Thackray's BILLY EASY (Mr. F. R. Thackray), 3. Twelve ran. Won by four lengths.

FARMERS' RACE.—Mr. J. Summers's WAVERLEY (Mr. F. R. Thackray), 1; Mrs. M. Dew's MISS BLAGRAVE (Mr. R. Mount), 2; Mr. J. Mundy's DANDY BOY (Mr. T. Mundy), 3. Four ran. Won easily.

ROYAL BERKSHIRE REGIMENT CHALLENGE CUP RACE.—Captain E. E. N. Burney's LEYDFORD (Owner), 1; Mr. J. C. Wilder's BANKER (Owner), 2; Lieutenant-Colonel A. G. Isaac's SMALLWOOD (Owner), 3. Ten ran. Won by half-a-length.

NOMINATION RACE.—Mr. R. Thackray's SHOREMAN (Mr. F. R. Thackray), 1; Captain H. O. Wright's BACHELOR'S STAR (Owner), 2; Mr. W. Corbett's BROWNHILL (Owner), 3. Seven ran. Won by two lengths.

11TH FIELD BRIGADE ROYAL ARTILLERY CHALLENGE CUP RACE.—Mr. P. Crossthwaite's GAY GRIS (Owner), 1; Major J. K. Gordon's CARLISLE (Owner), 2; Captain A. Armstrong's CICELY (Mr. Creighton), 3. Eleven ran. Won easily.

ADJACENT HUNTS MAIDEN RACE.—Captain C. Benson's HAPPY THOUGHTS (Owner) and Mr. G. P. Male's AVIS (Mr. N. Male), dead-heat; Mr. D. H. Ryecroft's LADY ALICE (Owner), 3. Nine ran.

In the report of the Wirral Point-to-Point in *The Times* of April 8, Miss Harvie, riding her father's horse, was stated to have finished second in the Ladies' Race. Mrs. A. W. Chambers, riding her Honour Bright, finished second actually, and her Redwing, ridden by Mrs. Carr, was third.

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RACING NOTES

THE THREE-YEAR-OLDS

NEWMARKET MEETING

(FROM OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT)

Race meetings under both Jockey Club and National Hunt Rules will be held all over the country this afternoon, to be followed on Wednesday with the first of the season's Newmarket meetings. It must be many years since a Newmarket meeting was begun on a Wednesday, but the late Easter has upset the usual arrangements.

This meeting at Newmarket will be important in many ways. It is expected that several of the best of this season's three-year-olds will be started, among them, perhaps, Caerleon, Christopher Robin, and Strongbow. The latter pair, by winning easily at Newbury, have forced themselves into the front rank of Derby possibilities. Other three-year-olds who have great possibilities are Pal o' Mine, who will, if all goes well, be started in a race at Newcastle this afternoon, and Diolite, who will be started in a race at Birmingham to-morrow. Pal o' Mine won so easily and in such impressive style at Liverpool that he is, for the moment, my first choice for the first of this season's Classics, to be run at Newmarket in rather more than a fortnight's time. Diolite has not run yet this season, but he was generally considered last year to have been the best of his age, a view to which I myself never subscribed. The failure of Blenheim in the Greenham Plate—and Blenheim was one of the best of last year's two-year-olds—suggests that last year's two-year-olds were rather moderate, and it will cause me no surprise at all to find that Diolite this year will be found to be some way behind the best of his age.

Apart from this week's actual racing the week, from a point of view of Turf history, will be one of great importance, as for the first time in this country a fully-mechanized totalisator will be in use. Such a machine was recently given a trial run at Newmarket, and will be used there on Wednesday afternoon. For the first time also, so I understand, the bookmakers using the different rings at Newmarket will be arranged round the outsides of the rings, leaving the centres of the rings for visitors. I do not know whether the rails between Tattersalls' and the private stand will be used by bookmakers or not, but I do know that it is hoped by many members of the private stand that they will be allowed to conduct their business there. In connexion with the private stand it is specially to be noted that in future only members of that stand will be allowed to park their motor-cars in the enclosure behind that stand. Such was supposed to be the case in the past, but many of the cars parked there did not belong to members of that stand. In future no car other than a member's will be allowed in.

I have been asked by many correspondents recently to call attention to the fact that at a number of courses owners running horses are not given members' passes. They are, on the other hand, given passes for the principal ring and for the paddock, very often not only for themselves, but also for their wives. I cannot see that such owners have any grounds for complaint, the rules of those racing clubs being that no man, other than a member or a visitor from over the seas, can be admitted to the club enclosure. The racing clubs that have these strict rules are well known to all racegoers, so that owners attend those meetings, if they so desire, knowing the conditions well. If they do not wish to race under the conditions they are not bound to enter their horses there or to attend themselves. Whether or not I approve of such conditions is another matter. They exist and are known to exist, and there the matter ends. After all, rules are not really made to be broken. I give below a short analysis for the Kempton Park Meeting to be held this afternoon:—

ROTHSCHILD PLATE (1¼m.).—Alight won easily last time out, but I do not know that he is expected to be started for this small affair. St. Leger has won twice, but on neither occasion in the manner anticipated. I do not know how good Pot Hot may be, but he is probably useful. Walter Gay quite possibly was the best of his age last year, but could never be trained after running second in the Derby. If he can be trained this season he is certain to win races. If WALTER GAY is started he would be my selection. In his absence the winner might be FILAMENT.

ASHFORD SELLING PLATE (1m.).—Adherent won this race last year carrying 9st., and as the opposition seems much the same to-day he must have a good chance again with 9st. 4lb. Invermark will be running over his best distance and on a course over which he has been successful before, but it is to be doubted whether he is as good as he was. Frank Bare, Gala Morn, and Soldan are others who may run well, while if the distance is not too short for Sabine Sailor he has a good chance. He was a pronounced favourite when failing over this distance recently at Leicester. It is not easy to make a selection here. The winner may be SABINE SAILOR.

QUEEN'S PRIZE (2m.).—Kings Oven has twice failed this season, and in any case cannot, so far as I know, stay the distance of this race. Sir Joshua, on the other hand, can stay two miles well, and on the balance of form is very nicely handicapped. Further, he ran exceedingly well over a mile at Newbury just over a week ago, showing that he was fit and as good as ever he was. The recent rains will be all in his favour, and he must have a really good chance here. Buoyant Bachelor ran well in this race a year ago, but has been given quite enough weight. Cacao has not won in this country. West Wicklow has been very nicely handicapped and must have a fair chance, but he has just as good a chance, if not a better, in the Chester Cup. Eagle's Pride showed some signs of returning to his best form in his last race, but he is getting old, and the best has probably been seen of him. I do not think that Montclair has so good a chance as his stable-companion, Buoyant Bachelor. Sartellus is nicely handicapped, and ran well at Derby, but actually on that form and other does not seem to me likely to beat Sir Joshua. I should prefer the chance of Blue Mist if she were started on a left-handed course. On some form Story Teller has been very kindly handicapped, and as it is understood that she has been trained for this race she must have a good chance. I do not like to leave her out, but at the same time I do not like to select a filly for this race at this time of the year. I shall accordingly leave her out to take SIR JOSHUA, a very good horse who will be suited by the going and who is really nicely handicapped.

SOUTHERN SELLING PLATE (5f.).—Mickey Mouse may have been lucky to have won at Newbury, at which meeting The Grange colt also ran well, and whatever his fate here a selling race should be won by him sooner or later. Farlands apparently ran much below expectation at Lingfield and will, I am sure, improve on that form. Bundaberg has run well before and in better company than this. Lepanto, Parchesi, and Fig Leaf, the last named most aptly named, are others who, having run well this season, have chances, but I would leave them all out to choose BUNDABERG if he is started. He was fourth in the race at Warwick won by Oh for a Monocle. In his absence the winner may be Farlands.

EASTER PLATE (7f.).—THE MASHER ran very well at Newbury, and is certain with ordinary luck to win races even if failing here. If he is started this afternoon he would be my selection. In his absence the winner may be Dick Swiveller, whom I recall being backed once or twice last back-end, and running quite well without winning.

RICHMOND PLATE (7f.).—Barbizon ran very well for the distance of this race at Lingfield and must have a fair chance here on that form. Leopardus ran badly on that occasion, but I am convinced that the best of him was not seen then, and I am inclined if he is among the starters to give him another chance here. Fraudulent is, I believe, expected to run well, and has a nice chance on his form of last year. Plucky Bill and Despencer have about the same chance on Lincoln running. I doubt whether Fingle Bridge will quite get the course. Antiquary won easily at Derby and the value of that form has since been enhanced by the success of Moyresque. Indeed, that form seems so useful that I am forced to consider that ANTIQUARY is the probable winner this afternoon.

RENDLESHAM PLATE (5f.).—Pharian won at Aintree after a slow beginning and on that form must be very useful, for several of those behind him have won since. The best of the others on known form would appear to be Vain Bachelor, who was very unlucky in the Brocklesby, where he was very badly away and was then running on at the finish in such a manner that it seemed that if he had got away fairly with the others he must have won. I do not like to choose two-year-olds who have once got badly away until they have redeemed their character in that respect, and I shall therefore not select him to win this afternoon, although if he is started he may well do so. The same comments really also apply to Pharian and I cannot, therefore, make a selection.

NEWCASTLE PROSPECTS

A lot of rain has fallen at Newcastle lately and the going will be holding. PAL O' MINE should have an easy task in the Bentinck Stakes.

The Benton Selling Plate will probably be won by BEGGARMAN.

The Tyne Handicap appears to rest with NEGLIGENCE now that Ikhnaton has been scratched. Abbey Wood has a chance, but Royal Bloom is not likely to run.

The Spring Handicap will not attract Glenhazel. Laird runs and will have benefited by his race at Ayr. Doura can be fancied on his best form, as can Sir Picton and Tagra, but POLYANTHUS has wintered well, and must be my selection.

Arran Beg will be running over his best distance in the Elswick Welter Plate, but I should prefer stronger handling than he will get from Foy. Downholme does not run. Starmount has arrived and may prove the danger to the Ayr winner, SUNNY BAR, whom J. Caldwell rides.

The Gosforth Park Juvenile Stakes will probably be won by JEROME FANDOR. I fear that Twelfth Night, Silverton, Douceuse, and Wild Son are useful, especially, the last-named.

NEWMARKET PROSPECTS

KEMPTON PARK

(FROM OUR NEWMARKET CORRESPONDENT)

Our likely runners this week are forward in condition and I believe we shall win our fair share of races The special train that left here yesterday conveyed 22 horses to Kempton Park. Among them are several well-fancied candidates; however, our trainers will not be represented in either the Rothschild Plate or the Ashford Selling Plate.

Our seven runners in the Queen's Prize have done well in their preparation. J. Jarvis will saddle both Buoyant Bachelor and Montclair, and I do not think there is much between them. Cacao is a big, good-looking horse, but I doubt if he is at his best yet. Mint Master has been in strong work for weeks past and will run well. West Wicklow and Servus will represent Lord Derby, and at the weights I like Servus the better, but my selection must be SARTELLUS. I have seen a lot of this horse since he ran at Derby and I doubt if he has ever been so well as he is now.

Nothing left yesterday to run for the Southern Selling Plate, but in the Easter Plate I doubt if we have one better than EDELWEISS, who ran a good second in a trial to Fraudulent last month.

The Richmond Plate may also go to Stanley House with FRAUDULENT.

In the Rendlesham Plate I look upon PHARIAN as about the best of B. Jarvis's two-year-olds, and it will require a good one to beat him.

OTHER MEETINGS

At Newcastle we have a few runners, but the majority will not be saddled until the second day. At Birmingham I like the chances of KISS CURL for the Bromsgrove Selling Plate, CALMETTE in the Doddington Plate, and BRIGLIADORO in the Burton Handicap.

SEASON TICKETS TO NEWMARKET

The L.N.E.R. announce that special reduced rate third class season tickets will be issued in connexion with the Craven Meeting between Liverpool-street or King's Cross and Newmarket at a fare of £1 2s. 6d., available on the three race days. Season tickets to cover the Craven and the First and Second Spring Meetings will also be issued at fares of £3 16s. third class and £5 7s. 9d. first class. Special trains will be run, including an all-first class Pullman car express.

A day excursion will leave Liverpool-street at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 24, for Newmarket, the return fare being 4s., or, including omnibus between station and racecourse, 5s. 6d.

SOUTHWELL RESULTS

2.45 (2.47).—The MANSFIELD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

SCARLET STRIPES, b or br h, by My Prince—Meudon (Mr. R. Power), aged, 11st. 11lb. A. Lefebve 1

BLACK ARMSTRONG, br c, by Bucks Hussar—Melaina (Mr. J. Livingston), 4 yrs, 10st. 2lb. T. Moreau 2

MORAL, b g, by Sunbright—Juanina (Colonel C. de Paravicini), 5 yrs, 11st. 3lb. ..H. Hodgkinson 3

Also ran:—Cherry Bridge (S. Mulcaster), Andorra (M. Pringle), Wisdom Gift (Mr. C. Clark), Zero (Mr. Ransom), Bernadotte (R. Lyall), Iron Man (F. Elnor).

(Winner trained by Barthropp, at Tern Hill)

STARTING PRICES.—7 to 4 agst Bernadotte, 3 to 1 Scarlet Stripes, 6 to 1 each Zero and Wisdom Gift, 10 to 1 Moral, 100 to 8 Cherry Bridge, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES (each unit represents 2s. stake).—Win dividend, 7s. 3d.; places, 4s. 3d., 17s. 6d., 24s. 6d. Total win pool, 2,701 units; total place pool, 2,259 units.

Won by five lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Andorra was fourth and Cherry Bridge last.

3.15 (3.16).—The BLEASBY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

GLEN OF IMAAL, b g, by Jackdaw—Tinahely (Mr. H. J. Brueton), 6 yrs, 10st. ....G. Goswell †

CENOBITE, b g, by Abbots Trace—Indulgence (Mrs. H. Musker), 4 yrs, 10st. ....F. Fish †

CHIMPANZEE, b g, by Lomond—Monaleen (Mr. G. A. Burton), aged, 10st. ......J. L. Ward 3

Also ran:—Rafnam (Mr. Bissill), Burnt Heather (R. Fawcett), Light (P. Edwards), Golden Ermine (E. C. Brown), Very Nice (H. Hodgkinson), Lady Wendeleen (M. Pringle), Benella (K. Piggott), Visibility (F. Wilkinson), Wilfred (R. Lyall), Mohun (F. Elnor), Grand Trianon (F. Weston).

(Glen of Imaal trained by Chamberlain, at Wolverhampton, and Cenobite by Briscoe, at Long Stow, Cambs)

STARTING PRICES.—11 to 4 agst Golden Ermine, 5 to 1 Lady Wendeleen, 6 to 1 each Glen of Imaal and Benella, 7 to 1 Cenobite, 10 to 1 Chimpanzee, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividends, 7s. 9d. Glen of Imaal, 50s. 3d. Cenobite; places, 6s. Glen of Imaal, 5s. 6d. Cenobite, 12s. 3d. Chimpanzee. Total win pool, 2,788 units; total place pool, 2,997 units.

A dead heat; three lengths separated Chimpanzee from the dead-heaters. Grand Trianon was fourth and Visibility last. The stakes were divided.

Cenobite was sold to Mr. Vasey for 140 guineas and Glen of Imaal was bought in for 75 guineas.

3.45 (3.46).—The PRIMROSE DAY HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

SANSTROME, br g, by Santair—Kylestrome (Mr. J. Burgess), 5 yrs, 11st. 6lb. ....Mr. H. Hunt 1

SERVING MAID, b f, by Torelore—Servile (Colonel C. de Paravicini), 4 yrs, 10st. ..H. Hodgkinson 2

SCARLE, gr m, by Sandy Cuba—Sadie (Mr. J. Bagshaw), aged, 10st. 9lb. ....Mr. Bagshaw 3

Also ran:—Rose Cottage (E. Foster), Grave Polly (Mr. A. Marsh), Hennegau (M. Burke), Simon Dale (E. Sully).

(Winner trained by H. Hunt, at Uppingham)

STARTING PRICES.—9 to 4 on Sanstrome, 6 to 1 agst Rose Cottage, 7 to 1 Serving Maid, 10 to 1 Hennegau, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 2s. 9d.; places, 3s. 3d., 5s. 9d. Total win pool, 2,891 units; total place pool, 2,623 units.

Won by three lengths; six lengths separated second and third. Rose Cottage was the only other to finish.

4.15 (4.15).—The AVERHAM SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

CHICOT, b g, by Black Jester—Lady Villein (Mr. G. T. Unwin), aged, 10st. 5lb. ....E. Sully 1

ORANGE PLUME, gr g, by King William—Grey Feathers (Mr. J. B. Balding), aged, 12st. 3lb. Owner 2

PRINCE REGENT, ch g, by Prince Palatine—Mandane (Mr. G. W. Pennington), aged, 11st. 4lb. ....Major Cavenagh 3

Also ran:—Benjamin Cherry (Mr. Doyle), Ballywin (J. Ward), Strumlever (J. Regan), Swanage (J. Hamey), G.R. (F. Fish).

(Winner trained by Smallwood, at Doncaster)

STARTING PRICES.—5 to 2 agst Ballywin, 3 to 1 Orange Plume, 11 to 2 Chicot, 6 to 1 each Prince Regent and Swanage, 100 to 7 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 18s.; places, 5s., 3s. 9d., 5s. 6d. Total win pool, 2,669 units; total place pool, 2,899 units.

Won by five lengths; half a length separated second and third. Ballywin was fourth and Strumlever last.

4.45.—The RUFFORD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Three miles.

AGRICOLA, b g, by Louvois—Arcola (Mr. E. B. Forwood), aged, 10st. ....J. Regan w.o.

(Trained by Forwood, at Stanford Mear)

5.15 (5.16).—The NEWARK STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

WISE DON, b or br g, by Lorenzo—Puzzle (Miss Lark), aged, 11st. 12lb. ....W. Gurney 1

CHERRY DUCK, ch g, by Cherry King—Widgeon's Pet (Lord Ednam), 6 yrs, 11st. 7lb. K. Piggott 2

PAPLEY SPINNEY, b g, by Hounam, dam by Shogun (Mr. J. B. Balding), 6 yrs, 11st. 12lb. Owner 3

Also ran:—Astrologer (J. Regan), Spionway (E. Foster), Finmere (P. Coleman).

(Winner trained by R. Payne, at Weedon)

STARTING PRICES.—5 to 4 on Papley Spinney, 3 to 1 agst Wise Don, 4 to 1 Cherry Duck, 10 to 1 Finmere, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 11s. 6d.; places, 4s. 6d., 4s. 9d. Total win pool, 4,345 units; total place pool, 2,635 units.

Won by three lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Spionway was the only other to finish.

KEMPTON PARK PROGRAMME

(The letter "a" is prefixed to the names of horses which have arrived)

1.30.—The ROTHSCHILD PLATE of 200 sovs. Jubilee Course (one mile and a quarter).

	Yrs	st	lb
Alight (Mr. A. de Rothschild) ....Watson	4	9	2
Golden Lyre (Sir A. Bailey) ....R. Day	4	8	9
Golden Cloud (Mr. M. Caddy) ....J. Kelly	4	8	9
Pianola (Mr. B. Davis) ....B. Davis	4	8	9
St. Leger (Lord Derby) ......Frank Butters	4	8	9
Quarter Sessions (Mr. M. Field) Boyd-Rochfort	4	8	9
Pot Hot (Mr. C. Hailey) ....Sadler	4	8	9
Green Willow (Lord Woolavington)..Gilpin	4	8	9
aFilament (Lord Durham) ......Frank Butters	4	8	6
Cambrai (Lieutenant-Colonel T. Carthew) F. Wootton	4	7	9
Marcher Lord (Sir P. Newson)..M. Hartigan	4	7	9
The Scribbler (Sir P. Newson) W. Nightingall	4	7	9
Walter Gay (Lord Woolavington)..F. Darling	4	7	9
Royal Crusader (Mr. D. M. Gant) W. P. Lowe	5	7	7
aOrpenda (Mr. P. Beaumont) ......G. L. Ward	4	7	6
Timorous Chink (Mr. A. Falcon)..Rintoul	4	7	6
Boxing Glove (Mr. E. H. Gregory)..Golightly	4	7	6
Cadenassia (Mr. O. Dixon) ....Sneyd	4	7	6
Glendyte (Mr. M. Steedman) ....Willett	4	7	6
Dan French (Mr. C. Wadia) ....Molony	4	7	6
Polytrose (Mr. H. S. Lester) ......J. Scott	5	7	4
Elibank (Mr. E. Esmond) ....J. Jarvis	3	7	2
Friar Tuck (Lord Derby)....Frank Butters	3	6	13
aDeaconess (Vicomte de Fontarce)..R. Dawson	3	6	13
Skip the Painter (Mr. E. Esmond)..J. Jarvis	3	6	9
Knock Away (Mr. A. Heathorn) ....Tabor	3	6	8
Maugre (Lord Carnarvon) ....Leach, jun.	3	6	8
Embers (Mr. J. A. de Rothschild) ......Pratt	3	6	6

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

GOLDEN CLOUD, F. Winter; PIANOLA, W. Balding; FILAMENT, T. Weston; THE SCRIBBLER, G. Richards; ORPENDA, J. Sirett; DEACONESS, T. Bartlam; KNOCK AWAY, K. Gethin.

2.0.—The ASHFORD SELLING PLATE of 300 sovs. One mile, on the Jubilee Course.

	Yrs	st	lb
aAdherent (Mr. A. Douglas-Pennant) Douglas-Pennant	5	9	4
Tested (Mr. W. Scott) ....Killalee	6	9	4
Henri de Navarre (Mr. A. G. Whiteman) W. Smyth	a	9	4
Corporal Nym (Mr. F. L. Hill)..Hammond	5	9	1
aEsca (Mr. W. C. J. Hissey) ....Braime	a	9	1
aSabine Sailor (Mr. E. G. de Mestre) De Mestre	5	9	1
Invermark (Mr. T. Richards)..W. Nightingall	a	9	1
Vie (Mr. G. G. Ruddle) ....J. Scott	a	9	1
Bredea Boy (Mrs. G. Smith) ....J. Kelly	5	9	1
Young Sport (Mrs. M. Waters)....H. Smyth	5	9	1
aFrank Bare (Mr. S. Wootton)..F. Wootton	a	9	1
aSoldan (Mrs. E. Wallace) ....J. Beary	4	9	0
Gala Morn (Mr. A. P. Cunliffe)..M. Hartigan	4	8	11
Gala Prince (Mr. A. P. Cunliffe)..Cunliffe	4	8	9
Royal Pointer (Mr. H. Simmonds) ......Dick	3	7	8
Royal Dale (Mr. I. Z. Davis) ....Thrale	3	7	5
aCoppernob (Mr. A. Savile) ....J. Beary	3	7	5
Happy Chink (Colonel E. H. Williams) I. Anthony	3	7	5
aEssex Beacon (Mr. P. Thrale) ....Thrale	3	7	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

TESTED, —; ADHERENT, R. Perryman; CORPORAL NYM, S. Donoghue; ESCA, J. Dines; SABINE SAILOR, C. Ray; INVERMARK, R. Dick; BREDEA BOY, F. Winter; YOUNG SPORT, F. Balch; FRANK BARE, S. Magee; SOLDAN, M. Beary; GALA MORN, G. Richards; COPPERNOB, —; HAPPY CHINK, —; ESSEX BEACON, —.

2.45.—The QUEEN'S PRIZE, a high-weight handicap plate of 1,500 sovs.; second to receive 200 sovs., third 100 sovs., and fourth 50 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs	st	lb
aKings Oven (Mr. D. M. Gant)....W. P. Lowe	a	9	6
aSir Joshua (Major F. B. Sceyd) ....Sneyd	a	9	5
Jugo (Mr. T. Richards) ......W. Nightingall	6	9	3
aBuoyant Bachelor (Mr. C. W. Gordon) J. Jarvis	5	8	12
aCacao (Lord Woolavington) ....Gilpin	5	8	12
Cavendo (Lord Astor) ....Lawson	4	8	11
aWest Wicklow (Lord Derby)..Frank Butters	6	8	8
Saracen (Major J. S. Courtauld)..B. Jarvis	5	8	6
aRubicon II (Mr. V. Emanuel) ....Duller	4	8	4
Eagle's Pride (Mr. F. T. Halse) W. Nightingall	4	8	3
aMint Master (Sir V. Sassoon) ......C. Waugh	5	8	0
Dark Hillock (Baron Baeyens) R. W. Colling	a	8	0
aMontclair (Mr. E. Esmond) ....J. Jarvis	4	7	13
South Hill (Mr. H. G. Blagrave)..Blagrave	5	7	12
Servus (Lord Derby) ....Frank Butters	5	7	12
aSartellus (Mr. A. K. Macomber)..S. Darling	5	7	12
aPard (Mr. G. H. Drummond) ....Sneyd	5	7	11
Troubadour (Mr. C. Glorney) ....Persse	a	7	11
aAftab (The Aga Khan) ....R. Dawson	4	7	9
aBlue Mist (Mr. M. Evans) ....I. Anthony	4	7	8
aCherry King (7lb. ex.) (Mr. W. Murray) Cottrill	5	7	7
aLadies First (Mrs. C. Davison)..Templeman	5	7	7
Feng (Mr. H. J. East) ....East	6	7	4
aStory Teller (Mrs. E. Harmsworth)..Gooch	4	7	1
Auction Pool (Mrs. V. D. Sainsbury) Holland	5	7	1

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

KINGS OVEN, R. Perryman; SIR JOSHUA, L. Cordell; JUGO, —; BUOYANT BACHELOR, H. Jellis; CACAO, P. Beasley; CAVENDO, —; WEST WICKLOW, T. Weston; RUBICON II., C. Elliott; EAGLE'S PRIDE, —; MINT MASTER, S. Donoghue; MONTCLAIR, H. Wragg; SOUTH HILL, J. Collins; SARTELLUS, G. Richards; TROUBADOUR, K. Robertson; PARD, J. Sirett; AFTAB, T. Bartlam; BLUE MIST, —; CHERRY KING, —; LADIES FIRST, S. Smith; STORY TELLER, J. Dines; AUCTION POOL, H. Gunn. R. Dick rides Cavendo or Eagle's Pride, and A. Wragg Cherry King or Blue Mist.

3.20.—The SOUTHERN SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs.; for two-year-olds. Five furlongs, on the Straight Course.

	St	lb
Menthol c, by Irishman (Mr. S. Wootton) F. Wootton	8	12
aMickey Mouse (Mrs. A. B. Cornelius) G. L. Ward	8	9
Ye Olde Leather Bottel (Mr. H. Smyth) H. Smyth	8	9
Goldenbloom (Miss H. Cooper) ....Larkin	8	7
Haakon (Mr. H. Johnstone) ....Wilmot	8	7
aThe Grange c, by Vencedor (Mr. S. McGregor) Gwilt	8	7
aYoung Master (Mr. E. G. de Mestre)..De Mestre	8	7
aHead Proof (Dowager Lady Penrhyn) Withington	8	7
Farlands (Mr. M. O. Springfield) ......Tabor	8	7
Bundaberg (Mr. J. P. Arkwright) ......Persse	8	4
Lady Carlton (Mr. M. H. Benson)..M. Hartigan	8	4
Kit (Sir D. Broughton) ....Farquharson	8	4
Piercing Note f, by Herodote (Mrs. E. Coltman) Butchers	8	4
aOrnate (f by Orpheus—Roselet) (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen) O. Bell	8	4
Don't (Mr. F. Hands) ....Thrale	8	4
Sweet Forfar f, by Honey Bee (Mrs. S. Hanley) Hanley	8	4
aLepanto (Mr. T. Mott) ....Thrale	8	4
Miss Putt (Mr. C. M. Leigh) ....Allden	8	4
Craignant (Sir David Llewellyn)..F. Hartigan	8	4
Smith's Dean (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos)..Molony	8	4
Bon Voyage (Mr. F. C. Minoprio) ......Private	8	4
Parchesi (Mr. V. P. Misa) ....V. Smyth	8	4
Grisnez c, by Roi Herode (Mr. H. S. Persse) Persse	8	4
Thursday (Mr. G. C. Poole) ....Poole	8	4
Fig Leaf (Mr. J. A. de Rothschild) ......Pratt	8	4
Aspis f, by Knight of the Garter (Mrs. A. D. Sadler) A. Sadler	8	4
Orangelle (Mrs. V. Smyth) ....V. Smyth	8	4
Tullynessle (Mr. C. Stuart-Brown)..Thrale	8	4
Sol-Fa f, by Trespasser (Mr. C. V. Tabor)..Tabor	8	4
Pedulas f, by African Star (Major J. B. Walker) Whitaker	8	4

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

MENTHOL COLT, S. Magee; YE OLDE LEATHER BOTTEL, F. Balch; MICKEY MOUSE, J. Sirett; THE GRANGE COLT, —; YOUNG MASTER, —; BUNDABERG, H. Beasley; KIT, J. Dines; LEPANTO, S. Wragg; MISS PUTT, J. Kirby; ROSELET FILLY, H. Wragg; HEAD PROOF, —; FIG LEAF, G. Bezant; FARLANDS or SOL FA FILLY, R. Perryman; PARCHESI, R. Dick. C. Ray rides either Young Master or Head Proof.

3.50.—The EASTER PLATE of 500 sovs. for three-year-olds; second to receive 75 sovs. and third 25 sovs. Seven furlongs, on the Jubilee Course.

	St	lb
Secret Paper (Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Birkin) Leach, sen.	8	10
aRedgrave (Mr. F. H. Bowcher) ....Gwilt	8	10
Jackyllis (Lieutenant-Colonel T. Carthew) F. Wootton	8	10
Bucwyn (Mr. W. M. Cazalet) ....Lawson	8	10
The Recorder (the late Lord Dewar)..F. Darling	8	10
aSteel Boy (Mr. E. Esmond) ....J. Jarvis	8	10
Perthshire Lad (Mr. C. W. Gordon)..J. Jarvis	8	10
aFarman Farma (The Aga Khan)....R. Dawson	8	10
aEskdale (Mr. W. G. Lang) ....Farquharson	8	10
Story of Eden (Sir M. McAlpine) ......J. M. Bell	8	10
Dick Bush (Mr. H. T. Mills) ....S. Darling	8	10
aCrusader's Star (Mr. H. Pulitzer)..S. Darling	8	10
aLycidas (Lord Rosebery) ....J. Jarvis	8	10
aPennant (Mr. A. de Rothschild) ......Watson	8	10
aPapris (Mr. F. H. Turner) ....De Mestre	8	10
aYoung Buck (Mrs. E. Wallace) ....J. Beary	8	10
Robin a' Bobbin (Mrs. S. Whitburn)..Cottrill	8	10
The Masher (Mr. F. W. Wilmot) ....Gwilt	8	10
Dick Swiveller (Lord Woolavington) F. Darling	8	10
aGoodwood Park (Lord Woolavington)..Gilpin	8	10
Frisky Too (Lord Astor) ....Lawson	8	7
Mary Ambree (Major A. Bonsor)..F. Hartigan	8	7
aEdelweiss (Lord Derby) ......Frank Butters	8	7
Esme (Mr. E. Harmsworth) ....Gooch	8	7
Templario (Mr. J. P. Hornung) ......B. Jarvis	8	7
Nessuno (Mr. S. B. Joel) ....Earl	8	7
Sorais (Mr. G. Peek) ....J. Cannon	8	7
Scotch Legend (Miss H. Smith) ......J. Rhodes	8	7
Coup de Grace (Mr. J. M. Woodville)....Sneyd	8	7

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

REDGRAVE or THE MASHER, R. Dick; JACKYLLIS, F. Field; STEEL BOY, H. Jelliss; FARMAN FARMA, —; ESKDALE, J. Dines; CRUSADER'S STAR, G. Richards; LYCIDAS, H. Wragg; PENNANT, R. Perryman; PAPRIS, C. Ray; YOUNG BUCK, —; GOODWOOD PARK, P. Beasley; EDELWEISS, T. Weston. M. Beary rides either Farman Farma or Young Buck.

4.25.—The RICHMOND PLATE (high-weight handicap) of 400 sovs.; second to receive 50 sovs. and third 25 sovs. Seven furlongs, on the Jubilee Course.

	Yrs	st	lb
Songe (Lord Michelham) ....O. Bell	6	10	3
aSediranda (Mr. S. B. Joel) ....Earl	4	9	6
aExeter (Mrs. S. Whitburn) ....Cottrill	5	9	1
aSwift Marten (Mr. A. Cochrane) ....Cole	5	8	11
aBarbizon (Lord Londonderry) ....O. Bell	4	8	10
aCherrypicker (Captain A. S. Wills) De Winton	4	8	9
Lilette (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos) ....Molony	4	8	8
aCorduroy (Mr. S. Wootton) ....De Mestre	4	8	8
Fenimore Cooper (Mr. V. Emanuel)..Duller	6	8	7
aLeopardus (M. M. Boussac) ....S. Darling	5	8	7
aSaint Fortunat (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen) O. Bell	a	8	6
aFraudulent (Lord Derby)....Frank Butters	5	8	5
Fingle Bridge (Mr. F. T. Halse) W. Nightingall	5	8	5
aAntiquary (Major J. S. Courtauld)..B. Jarvis	5	8	5
aGareloch (Captain G. Lockett)..J. Jarvis	4	8	4
Golden Rain (Sir M. Wilson)..W. Nightingall	4	8	3
aPlucky Bill (Mrs. A. B. Cornelius) G. L. Ward	4	8	2
Echlath (Mr. B. Davis) ....B. Davis	4	8	2
aDon Pat (Mr. C. Rowe) ....C. Chapman	6	8	1
Friar Wile (Sir R. McAlpine) ......J. M. Bell	a	8	0
aPort Arthur (The Maharajah Jam Sahib of Nawanagar) A. Sadler	a	7	10
aMusical Prince (Mr. A. Gemmell)....Sneyd	5	7	8
Despencer (Mr. F. H. Turner)....De Mestre	5	7	0
aWater Dean (Mr. H. E. Andrews)..L. Todd	4	7	0
aGrizzly (Mr. D. M. Gant) ......W. P. Lowe	4	7	0
Radio Rag (Miss H. V. Smith) ....J. Rhodes	5	7	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

SEDIRANDA, F. Winter; EXETER, M. Beary; SWIFT MARTEN, R. Perryman; BARBIZON, H. Wragg; CHERRYPICKER, H. Beasley; CORDUROY, F. Field; LEOPARDUS, G. Richards; SAINT FORTUNAT, S. Wragg; FRAUDULENT, T. Weston; FINGLE BRIDGE or GOLDEN RAIN, R. Dick; PLUCKY BILL, J. Sirett; ECHLATH, Tuite; DON PAT, S. Donoghue; FRIAR WILE, —; PORT ARTHUR, J. Dines; MUSICAL PRINCE, L. Cordell; WATER DEAN, —; GRIZZLY, —; GARELOCH, —.

5.0.—The RENDLESHAM PLATE of 200 sovs.; for two-year-olds. Five furlongs, on the Straight Course.

	St	lb
aPharian (Lord Allendale) ....B. Jarvis	9	2
V.A.D. c, by Prince Galahad (Mr. S. W. Beer) Leach, jun.	8	12
Bestobell (Mr. T. W. Blenkiron) W. Nightingall	8	12
aConstellation c, by Orpheus (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen) O. Bell	8	12
Brown Trout c, by Blandford (Mr. B. Davis) B. Davis	8	12
Ready Response c, by Stratford (Mr. B. Davis) B. Davis	8	12
Semi-Girl c, by Silvern (Mr. B. Davis) ..B. Davis	8	12
aMaltese Cross (Lord Derby) ....Frank Butters	8	12
Lemnarchus (Lord Ellesmere) ......F. Darling	8	12
St. Cyprian (Mr. E. S. Freeland)..W. Nightingall	8	12
aDamerham (Mr. C. W. Gordon) ....J. Jarvis	8	12
Lady Cluney c, by Stornoway (Mr. E. Gwilt) Gwilt	8	12
Phantom Cynnie c, by Jazz Band (Mr. R. G. Heaton) F. Hartigan	8	12
aSilvernal (c by Silvern—Spring Maiden) (Mr. C. C. Herbert) Farquharson	8	12
Trojan Prince (Mr. F. Leach, jun.) Leach, jun.	8	12
aVain Bachelor (Mr. E. G. de Mestre) De Mestre	8	12
aCrackajack (Captain L. Montagu)..De Mestre	8	12
Kilbeg (Mr. L. Neumann) ....Gilpin	8	12
True Blue (Duke of Richmond and Gordon) C. Chapman	8	12
Strathray (Mr. E. Robson) ....Tabor	8	12
aWarden (Sir F. Towle) ....S. Darling	8	12

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MANCHESTER PROGRAMME

(The letter "a" is prefixed to the names of horses which have arrived)

2.30.—The SPRING HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs	st	lb
Two Royals (Mr. O. M. Smith) ..C. Langlands	a	12	10
aNear East (Mr. H. B. Brandt) ....James	5	11	13
Parson's Well (Mr. G. Bates)........Thrale	6	11	10
aSwift Rowland (Mrs. C. Beatty) T. E. Leader	a	11	10
Phosphore (Mr. V. Emanuel) ....Duller	a	11	10
Spear o' War (Lord Queenborough) G. Bennett	a	11	10
Regal Mixture (Mr. J. E. Anderton) ..Boyd	6	11	0
Buckfast (Mr. R. A. L. Cohen) ....Powell	6	11	0
The Sirdar (Mr. V. Emanuel) ....Duller	a	11	0
aBachelor's Vow (Mr. A. Lowry) ..In Ireland	a	11	0
Bachelor's Tonic (Mr. K. G. Macleod)..Boyd	a	11	0
King Dennis (Mr. G. P. Sanday) ....Sanday	a	11	0
Royal Repose (Captain B. J. Brady) ..Sneyd	5	10	10
Lion Heart (Mrs. J. Carruthers)..R. J. Colling	5	10	10
aWanda (Colonel B. C. Fairfax) ....Bellerby	5	10	10
Winter Royal (Mr. G. Gilbey) ..C. Chapman	5	10	10
aRoman General (Lieutenant-Commander E. Leake) J. Burns	5	10	10
Tom Fair (Mr. A. McAlpine) ......Barthropp	5	10	10
Yearly (Mr. B. Warner) ....O. Anthony	5	10	10
Chatsworth (Lady Warrender)..H. A. Brown	5	10	10
Riviera (Mr. J. T. C. Burn) ....Moroney	4	10	0
Sept (Mr. R. L. Jones) ....Renton	4	10	0
Knight of Knockeevan (Mr. A. R. McAlpine) Poole	4	10	0
Flying Blood (Mr. H. A. Maw) ....Maw	4	10	0
Stormbound (Mr. H. A. Maw) ....Maw	4	10	0
Song of Essex (Sir H. Nugent) ....Nugent	4	10	0
Jewel Song (Mrs. C. P. Rimmer) ....Bickley	4	10	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

SWIFT ROWLAND, T. Leader; SPEAR O' WAR, F. Rees; BUCKFAST, W. Parvin; WANDA, A. Waudby; WINTER ROYAL, S. Ingham; CHATSWORTH, J. Moloney; NEAR EAST, —; BACHELOR'S VOW, —; ROMAN GENERAL, —.

3.0.—The PENDLETON SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs	st	lb
Nightdew (Mr. H. S. Maw) ....Maw	a	12	7
Royal Repose (Captain B. J. Brady)..Sneyd	5	12	6
Borysthene (Mrs. Bennett) ......G. Bennett	a	12	6
Wiseacre (Mr. W. Parrish) ....Rimell	a	12	4
Tuscan (Mr. J. Pendarves) ....Pendarves	a	12	0
Corlach (Mr. C. R. Taylor) ....Coulthwaite	a	11	8
Deux Milles (Mr. H. Boardman) ....Clancy	4	11	6
Sunstart (Brigadier-General R. Chesne) Easterby	a	11	4
Prince Lomond (Mr. J. McLean) ..McGuigan	6	11	3
Inspired (Mr. A. W. Greenwood) ....Renton	4	11	0
aHistorical (Mr. N. Hardy) ....T. E. Leader	5	10	13
Sufferance (Lieutenant-Colonel H. P. Sykes) Coulthwaite	4	10	7
Stripanatit (Mr. G. Picken) ....J. Scott	4	10	7
Connie Duff (5lb. ex.) (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. A. Brown	a	10	5
Eagle's Corrie (Mrs. A. Bickley) ..Bickley	a	10	1

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

BORYSTHENE, F. Rees; CORLACH, K. Piggott; HISTORICAL, T. Leader; CONNIE DUFF, P. Kelly.

3.35.—The LANCASHIRE STEEPLECHASE (handicap) of 2,000 sovs.; 1,750 sovs. to the winner, 150 sovs. to the second, and 100 sovs. to the third. Three miles and a half.

	Yrs	st	lb
Gib (Mr. B. D. Davis) ....Woodland	a	12	9
aDon Sancho (12lb. ex.) (Mr. V. H. Smith) Withington	a	12	4
aEast Galway (4lb. ex.) (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) In Ireland	a	12	7
Castletown (8lb. ex.) (Mr. E. Platt) ..Poole	a	11	3
Kilbuck (Mr. E. R. Hartley)....In Ireland	a	11	2
Rolie (Mr. T. R. Rimell) ....Rimell	a	11	0
aGate Book (Marquis de San Miguel) F. Barrett	a	11	0
aBrave May (Mr. F. W. Keen)..H. Harrison	a	10	12
Monduco (Mr. A. Bendon) ....Woodland	a	10	12
Sandy Hook (Mr. S. Sanford)..T. E. Leader	a	10	10
Brave Cry (Mr. W. Parsonage)....T. Rimell	a	10	8
Duke of Florence (Mr. A. McAlpine) Barthropp	a	10	7
aDrin (Major A. F. W. Gossage)..Woodland	6	10	7
aFluke (12lb. ex.) (Mr. H. F. Clayton) Martin	a	10	5
Coral Reef II. (8lb. ex.) (Major I. Straker) Woodland	a	10	4
Guiding Light (Mr. J. B. D'Ardenne) D'Ardenne	a	10	1
aAlike (Lady H. McCalmont) ....Gore	a	10	0
aLittle Knight (Mr. H. B. Brandt)..James	6	10	0
Kilbrain (Mrs. E. V. Longworth)....Bickley	a	9	12
May Crescent (Mr. D. Faber)........Rayson	a	9	11
Santabel (Mrs. N. Colls)........Woodland	a	9	11
Gay Dog II. (Sir L. Parkinson) F. Armstrong	a	9	8
South Green (Mr. J. Burke)......In Ireland	a	9	8
Merrivale II. (Lord Westmorland)..Rimell	a	9	7
aIrish Temple (Mr. H. G. Blagrave) Blagrave	a	9	7
Gold Flare (Mr. J. M. Woodville)....Sneyd	a	9	7
Martyr (Mrs. D. J. Watson)........Bullock	6	9	7
aWretham (Mrs. Hannay)........F. A. Brown	5	9	7
Delarue (Mr. J. B. Snow)........Beeby	a	9	7

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

EAST GALWAY, J. McNeill; ROLIE, K. Piggott; GATE BOOK, T. Morgan; BRAVE MAY, J. Walsh; SANDY HOOK, T. Leader; DRIN, J. Moloney; FLUKE, J. Lenehan; ALIKE, F. Maxwell or G. Goswell; KILBRAIN, J. Mason; GAY DOG II., —; IRISH TEMPLE, R. Everett; MARTYR, W. Parvin; WRETHAM, —.

4.5.—The CHEETHAM HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. Two miles and a half.

	Yrs	st	lb
Michaelmas Day (Mr. C. Harmsworth) Poole	5	12	7
aSomnus (Mr. T. B. Ellis) ....Gore	6	12	0
aKerosene (Mr. C. H. Lees) ....Gilbert	a	11	13
aNear East (Mr. H. B. Brandt) ....James	5	11	10
Hilton (5lb. ex.) (Mr. W. F. Ransom) Ransom	a	11	9
aBunthorne (Mrs. H. T. L. Young) H. Young	5	11	7
Colenso (Mr. A. E. Ansell) ....Thrale	4	11	6
Checktaker (Mr. H. Harrison) H. Harrison	a	11	4
aMark Twain (Mr. J. S. Wight) ....Wight	a	11	3
Contraband (Mr. J. Lidbury) ....Bickley	5	11	3
Spontoon (Major T. E. Jesson) ....Sanday	a	11	3
aFomorian (Miss V. Ellis) ....Gore	5	10	13
Great Sand (Lord Londesborough) H. A. Brown	a	10	13
Desert Sheik (Mr. J. Hamer) ....Carr	a	10	11
Stormbound (Mr. H. S. Maw) ....Maw	4	10	10
Byron (Mr. G. Reed) ....Pulford	4	10	8
Murky Past (Mr. E. Osborn) ....Osborn	a	10	5
Te'oran (Mr. H. T. L. Young) ....H. Young	6	10	5
aTrusty (Mr. Hutton) ....Hutton	a	10	3

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

SOMNUS, F. Rees; BUNTHORNE, F. Sergeant; FORMORIAN, G. Goswell; DESERT SHEIK, —; KEROSENE, —; MARK TWAIN, —; TRUSTY, —; NEAR EAST, —.

4.35.—The DAUNTSEY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs	st	lb
aDon Sancho (Mr. V. H. Smith)..Withington	a	12	11
aRathcoole (Mrs. C. Beatty)......T. E. Leader	a	12	7
Wind Swept (Mr. A. K. Charlesworth) Bazley	a	11	3
aDumpender (Lieutenant-Colonel R. W. Tweedie) Wight	6	10	8
aKillia (Mr. A. D. McAlpine)..H. Harrison	6	10	8
aBlue Mark (Mr. F. R. Samson) ....Gore	5	10	7
Mistletoi (Mr. A. Bendon) ....Woodland	5	10	6
Lady Ardoon (Mr. H. J. Brueton)..F. Hudson	a	10	6
aPhaeton (Mr. B. D. Davis) ....Woodland	5	10	6
Uncas II. (5lb. ex.) (Mr. A. Turner)..Moroney	a	10	5
aGeorginatown (Mr. J. H. Wallace)..In Ireland	a	10	4
East Africa (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne)..Powell	a	10	3
Afrikander (Mr. A. Donn)....C. Langlands	6	10	1
Scarlet Stripes (Mr. R. J. Power) Barthropp	a	10	0
Fiddle Pin (Mr. R. C. Cotterell)..F. A. Brown	a	10	0
Cornafulla (Mr. A. Lowry)......In Ireland	a	10	0
Moon Maid (Mr. G. Kenyon) ....Bickley	a	10	0
Lotus Land (Mr. H. S. Kenyon)....J. Dodd	a	10	0
Buggy (Miss J. Sanday) ....Sanday	a	10	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

DON SANCHO, —; BLUE MARK, —; KILLIA, J. Walsh; PHAETON, —; EAST AFRICA, W. Parvin; GEORGINATOWN, —. J. Moloney rides either Don Sancho or Phaeton and F. Maxwell rides either Blue Mark or Georginatown.

5.0.—The NOVICES' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Two miles.

	Yrs	st	lb
Oxclose (Mr. A. Hall Watt) ....Renton	6	12	7
Slaney (Sir M. McAlpine)......H. Harrison	6	12	0
Ponoroogo (Lieutenant-Colonel D. Bingham) R. Thompson	a	12	0
Brimps (Mr. M. Dollar) ....Thrale	5	11	12
Great Sand (Lord Londesborough) H. A. Brown	a	11	9
Ballyspinner (7lb. ex.) (Mr. S. McMorran) McMorran	a	11	9
Onward (Mr. R. Renton) ....Renton	a	11	8
Wild Rake (Mrs. Bennett) ......G. Bennett	5	11	6
Sir Dennis (Mr. J. R. Thornton) ....Gore	5	11	4
Alan Malone (Mr. A. P. Cunliffe) Woodland	6	11	3
Florin II. (Mr. V. H. Smith)....Withington	6	11	3
aRight Ho (Mr. H. B. Brandt) ....James	a	11	3
aIndian Warrior II. (Mr. V. H. Smith) Withington	a	11	2
Joker (Mr. J. A. Dewhurst) ....Bickley	5	11	0
Roman Ridicule (Major W. H. Renwick) W. Renwick	6	10	7
Picton Hero (Mr. G. P. Sanday) ....Sanday	6	10	7
Ben Bawn (Mr. R. W. Sharples)..I. Anthony	4	10	4

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

OXCLOSE or ONWARD, Mr. C. Elliott; INDIAN WARRIOR II., J. Moloney; RIGHT HO, —.

THE NATAL DERBY

DURBAN, April 19.—The Natal Derby was run over a course of a mile and a half here to-day, with the following result:—Turn Again, 1; Charlotte, 2; Shanghai, 3. Won by three-quarters of a length; four lengths separated second and third. Betting.—6 to 4 on Turn Again, 5 to 1 agst Charlotte, 10 to 1 agst Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

QUEEN'S PRIZE (KEMPTON PARK).—Kinnaird by 10 p.m. on Thursday.

TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS STAKES (NEWMARKET).—Daneon at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

MANCHESTER MEETING

SWINTON STEEPLECHASE.—Condamine.
CITY SELLING HURDLE.—Rossmint.
MANCHESTER ENGAGEMENTS.—Flown Away.

MISCELLANEOUS

NEWARK STEEPLECHASE (SOUTHWELL).—Royal Spear.
MONTAGUE HURDLE (WETHERBY).—Song of Essex.
COLUMN PRODUCE STAKES (NEWMARKET).—Playday, Alto.
FREE HANDICAP SWEEPSTAKES (NEWMARKET).—Quartrain.
HOME-BRED THREE-YEAR-OLD CUP (GATWICK).—Alto.
SUTTON PLATE (BIRMINGHAM).—Hallowmas.
BENTINCK STAKES (NEWCASTLE).—Mazor.
TYNE HANDICAP (NEWCASTLE).—Ikhnaton.
HORNBY CASTLE SELLING HANDICAP AND GROVE HANDICAP (CATTERICK).—Marlhill's Beau.
RICHMOND PLATE (CATTERICK).—Marie Waleewska.
ROTHSCHILD PLATE (KEMPTON PARK).—Perchance, Lead.
ALL ENGAGEMENTS EXCEPT NEWBURY AUTUMN FOAL PLATE, DONCASTER AUTUMN FOAL PLATE, AND LIVERPOOL AUTUMN FOAL PLATE.—Elvera filly (2 yrs.).
ALL ENGAGEMENTS IN MR. W. B. DUCKWORTH'S NAME.—Brandy Snap gelding (2 yrs.).
ALL ENGAGEMENTS THIS YEAR.—Rhum, Sweet Lips.
ALL ENGAGEMENTS.—Pedagogue, Urbanity, Medalet.

Messrs. Weatherby state that the scratching of Kippit Lore, Kippit Lee, Flying Unit, and Shiraz out of All Engagements on April 15 should have read All Engagements at Newcastle.

(Kempton Park, Rendlesham Plate, continued)

	St	lb
Berrydale (Lord Woolavington) ....F. Darling	8	12
Scotch Romance (Sir A. Bailey)......Cottrill	8	9
Lydie White f, by Abbots Trace (Mrs. N. Brownlee) Butchers	8	9
aNorman Abbess (Mr. J. T. Coltman) ..G. L. Ward	8	9
Edgar's Lady f, by Jackdaw (Mr. H. L. Cottrill) Cottrill	8	9
Imago (Mr. F. Darling) ....F. Darling	8	9
Golden Bess (Mr. W. B. Duckworth) Leach, jun.	8	9
aBlanket (Vicomte de Fontarce) ......R. Dawson	8	9
Joy for Ever (Captain F. Forester) ..M. Hartigan	8	9
aBold Venture (Sir W. Gilbey) ......T. Cannon	8	9
aCarola (Mrs. C. Glorney) ....Sneyd	8	9
Whinnie Brae f, by Tremola (Mr. E. Gwilt) Gwilt	8	9
Salmon Cast (Mrs. P. Haldin) ......C. Leader	8	9
The Eccentric (Mr. A. Heathorn) ....Tabor	8	9
Toinette f, by Golden Sun (Mr. J. B. Joel) C. Peck	8	9
aNitschin (Mr. D. S. Kennedy) ....Thrale	8	9
Fair Copy (Mr. C. M. Leigh) ....Allden	8	9
Beryl Ode f, by Warden of the Marches (Lord Lovat) W. Nightingall	8	9
Mount Juliet g, by Chosroes (Lady Meux) Persse	8	9
aCresset (Lord Portman) ....Farquharson	8	9
Etching (Mr. A. de Rothschild) ....T. Cannon	8	9
Night Bell f, by Beresford (Mr. J. Ryan) MacColl	8	9
Vica (Mr. A. Savile) ....J. Beary	8	9
Aylesbury (Mr. V. Smyth) ....V. Smyth	8	9
Usco Guid (Mr. A. M. Stockley) ......J. Rhodes	8	9
Forelle (Mr. S. Tattersall) ....Lawson	8	9
aGolden Vista (Mr. P. Thrale) ....Thrale	8	9
Madame d'Arblay (Lady Wentworth) C. Chapman	8	9

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

PHARIAN, C. Elliott; BESTOBELL or BERYL ODE FILLY, R. Dick; CONSTELLATION COLT, H. Wragg; READY RESPONSE or SEMI GIRL COLT, W. Balding; MALTESE CROSS, T. Weston; VAIN BACHELOR, C. Ray; CRACKAJACK, —; TRUE BLUE, S. Donoghue; WARDEN, P. Beasley; SPRING MAIDEN or CRESSET, J. Dines; DAMERHAM, H. Jellis; SCOTCH ROMANCE, R. Perryman; BLANKET, M. Beary; JOY FOR EVER, G. Richards; BOLD VENTURE, J. Sirett; CAROLA, L. Cordell; NITSCHIN, S. Wragg; MOUNT JULIET GELDING, H. Beasley; GOLDEN VISTA, —.

NEWCASTLE PROGRAMME

(The letter "a" is prefixed to the names of horses which have arrived)

2.15.—The BENTINCK STAKES of 5 sovs. each, 2 sovs. forfeit, with 200 sovs. added; for three-year-olds. One mile (straight).

	St	lb
aPal o' Mine (Sir E. Tate) ....Peacock	9	0
Pommame (Mr. J. Benson) ....Elsey	9	0
Saint Stratford (Mr. S. Morris) ......M. Vasey	9	0
Calisthenic (Dr. B. Barrow) ....Hanshaw	8	12
Welsh Chieftain (Captain A. Bethell)....Elsey	8	12
Uppercourt (Miss M. Marks)......G. Armstrong	8	12
Polo (Mr. W. R. Smith) ....Peacock	8	12
Backwoodsman (Mr. A. Boasman) ......Peacock	8	9
Lindina (Lady Bradford) ....Hammett	8	9
Dawpool (Mr. J. Burn) ....Moroney	8	9
Tinker's Well (Mr. J. L. Dugdale) ......Peacock	8	9
Silver Dolphin (Mr. D. Goold)....R. J. Colling	8	9
Silver Gill (Lady Green) ....R. Armstrong	8	9
Knock-along (Lady Green) ....R. Armstrong	8	9
Termite (Mrs. A. James) ......Frank Butters	8	9
Tongking (Mr. W. J. Peek) ....Bazley	8	9
White Winter (Sir G. Renwick)....W. Renwick	8	9
aEpistola (Captain A. S. Wilson) ....Storie	8	9
Gowan Lodge (Mr. D. L. Wilson)....Leach, jun.	8	9

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

PAL O' MINE, J. Taylor; SAINT STRATFORD, J. Caldwell; EPISTOLA, —.

2.45.—The BENTON SELLING PLATE of 150 sovs.; for two-year-olds. Five furlongs (straight).

	St	lb
aClutch (Mr. I. Z. Davis) ....Thrale	8	12
Beggarman (Captain C. F. Elsey) ......Elsey	8	12
aMastersinger (Sir E. Hanmer) ......Peacock	8	12
Rotary (Mr. S. Morris) ....Botterill	8	12
Rejected Countess (Mr. H. Bennett)..Reader	8	9
Crackaberry (Mr. R. J. Colling)..R. J. Colling	8	9
aBlea Tarn (Lord Lonsdale)....R. Armstrong	8	9
aBrayfield (Mr. E. C. Nolan) ......R. J. Colling	8	9
Talons (Mr. W. J. Peek) ....Bazley	8	9
aFurbelow (Mr. A. de Rothschild) ......Watson	8	9

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

BEGGARMAN, J. Caldwell; BRAYFIELD, J. Leach; TALONS, J. Thwaites; FURBELOW, —; CLUTCH, —; MASTERSINGER, —; BLEA TARN, —.

3.15.—The TYNE HANDICAP PLATE of 200 sovs.; for three-year-olds. Six furlongs (straight).

	St	lb
Negligence (Mr. W. J. Peek) ....Bazley	8	10
Royal Bloom (Mr. M. Vasey) ....M. Vasey	8	7
Abbey Wood (Mr. A. E. McKinlay) ....Elsey	8	5
aNewland (Mr. F. L. C. Plummer) ......Hammett	8	4
aJulienne (Mr. F. S. Jopling) ....Peacock	8	1
aMarker (Captain A. S. Wilson) ....Storie	8	0
aAlvain (Mrs. D. Gardner) ......F. Armstrong	7	11
aWise Rule (Mr. J. McLean) ....McGuigan	7	10

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

ABBEY WOOD, J. Caldwell; ALVAIN, W. Oldroyd; NEWLAND, —; JULIENNE, —; MARKER, —; WISE RULE, —.

3.45.—The NEWCASTLE SPRING HANDICAP, a plate of 300 sovs. One mile and a half.

	Yrs	st	lb
Glenhazel (Mrs. J. C. Lewis)......R. J. Colling	5	9	10
Lodore (Lord Lonsdale)......R. Armstrong	5	9	1
Laird (Mr. J. C. Lund) ....McCall	5	8	10
Potocki (Lieutenant-Colonel T. C. Dunlop) Easterby	5	8	10
Primrose League (Mr. J. G. Thompson) Peacock	5	8	9
*Doura (Mr. J. Wallace) ....Elsey	4	8	5
aPolyanthus (Mr. J. L. Dugdale)....Peacock	6	8	4
Spey Royal (Captain A. S. Wilson) ......Storie	5	8	2
aLucca (Miss M. Marks) ......G. Armstrong	5	8	0
Sir Picton (Mr. R. P. Botterill) ......Botterill	4	7	10
Counter (Captain A. S. Wilson) ....Storie	4	7	4
aTagra (Lord Beatty) ....Beatty	5	7	0

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

DOURA, J. Caldwell; POLYANTHUS, W. Nevett; TAGRA, W. Stephenson; LUCCA, —.

4.15.—The ELSWICK SELLING WELTER HANDICAP PLATE of 150 sovs. Five furlongs (straight).

	Yrs	st	lb
aArran Beg (Mr. F. Deuchar) ....F. Armstrong	5	9	10
Downholme (Mr. F. Armstrong) ....McCall	a	8	9
Barkham Square (Mr. A. W. Greenwood) Renton	a	8	8
Going On (Mr. S. Morris) ....M. Vasey	3	8	4
aPuccini (Mr. H. M. Martineau)..F. Armstrong	5	8	4
Stolen Joy (Mr. J. McLean) ....McGuigan	4	8	4
aSunny Bar (Lady Bradford) ....Hammett	5	8	4
Darboy (7lb. ex.) (Miss R. Taylor)..D. Taylor	6	8	2
Hereford (Mr. L. Tasker) ....Smallwood	3	8	0
Franklinberg (Mr. J. C. Lund) ....McCall	4	7	13
Instalment (Mr. A. W. Greenwood)....Renton	5	7	12
Tickets (Mr. W. Peek) ....Bazley	3	7	12
aStarmount (Mr. R. J. Hughes)..R. J. Colling	3	7	11
Gold Slipper (Mr. T. Davidson)..G. Armstrong	3	7	11
Black Diamond (Captain C. F. Elsey)....Elsey	3	7	9
Charlie Billy (Mr. J. Gorman) ....Yapp	4	7	9
Lebanix (Miss M. Drake) ....F. Armstrong	3	7	7

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

STARMOUNT, —; LEBANIX, J. Foy; ARRAN BEG, —; PUCCINI, —; SUNNY BAR, —.

4.45.—The GOSFORTH PARK JUVENILE STAKES of 3 sovs. each, 1 sov. forfeit, with 200 sovs. added; for two-year-olds. Five furlongs (straight).

	St	lb
aTwelfth Night (Mrs. W. Beer) ....Beatty	9	0
Carnmore (Mr. J. J. Bell-Irving)..R. Armstrong	9	0
aWild Son (Mr. T. Davidson) ....R. Day	9	0
aSilverton (Mr. F. Deuchar) ....F. Armstrong	9	0
aSilver Glade (Sir L. Green) ......R. Armstrong	9	0
Vinca (Sir C. Hyde) ....Scobie	9	0
aEgyptian General (Lieutenant-Commander E. Leake) J. Burns	9	0
Jerome Fandor (Mr. A. E. McKinlay)....Elsey	9	0
Knight's Folly (Miss M. Marks)..G. Armstrong	9	0
Louvastra (Sir C. Neumann) ......R. J. Colling	9	0
Former (Mr. F. L. C. Plummer) ......Hammett	9	0
Smolensk f, by Schetzo (Mrs. C. Rich) R. J. Colling	9	0
Detriment (Captain A. S. Wilson) ....Storie	9	0
Grape Fruit (Mr. F. B. Barling) ....Barling	8	11
Hawthorn (Mr. H. D. Bazley) ....Bazley	8	11
aDouceuse (Captain R. B. Brassey) Boyd-Rochfort	8	11
Janner (Mr. H. M. Martineau)....F. Armstrong	8	11
Doodie f, by Knockando (Mr. S. Morris) M. Vasey	8	11
Bojo (Miss. E. C. Nolan) ....R. J. Colling	8	11
Overflow (Mr. W. J. Peek) ....Bazley	8	11
Sailor's Knot (Sir V. Sassoon) ......C. Waugh	8	11
aNestoi (Mr. F. Straker) ....Peacock	8	11
Wedding Gift (Mr. J. H. Ulyatt) ....Reader	8	11

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

TWELFTH NIGHT, J. Leach; WILD SON, —; SILVERTON, —; JEROME FANDOR, J. Caldwell; DOUCEUSE, —; SILVER GLADE, —; EGYPTIAN GENERAL, —; NESTOI, —.

CARLISLE RESULTS

2.30 (2.35).—The BORDER COUNTIES HUNTS CHALLENGE CUP (hurdle race), value 25 sovs., with 70 sovs. added. Two miles.

MUSICAL CATCH, ch g, by Polyphonic—Overtaken (Mr. Farquhar-Deuchar), 5 yrs, 12st. Sir P. Lawson 1

BILLY DEAR II., ch g, by Billydere—dam by Fitz Stuart (Mr. A. Dunn), aged, 12st. 7lb. Mr. W. Green 2

EQUIMAX (Mr. A. Hume), 4 yrs, 11st. Mr. G. Elliott 3

Also ran:—Square Man (Mr. A. Boyd), Picton Hero (Mr. O. Moseley), Ilston Ruby (Mr. G. Owen).

(Winner trained by F. Armstrong, at Middleham.)

STARTING PRICES.—2 to 1 agst Musical Catch, 3 to 1 Equimax, 4 to 1 Ilston Ruby, 6 to 1 Picton Hero, 10 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES (each unit represents 2s. stake).—Win dividend, 4s. 9d.; places, 4s., 12s. 6d. Total win pool, 1,334 units; total place pool, 713 units.

Won by five lengths; 15 lengths separated second and third.

3.0.—The EDEN OPTIONAL SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 70 sovs. Two miles.

ARGEIA, b g, by Argos—Lily of Ghent (Mr. W. Bell), aged, 11st. ....J. Richardson w.o.

(Trained by W. Bell.)

3.30 (3.30).—The WARWICK HURDLE RACE of 70 sovs. Two miles.

POTOCKI, b h, by Pommern—Tatiana (Colonel T. C. Dunlop), 5 yrs, 11st. 10lb. ...J. Mason 1

GOLDEN VANITY, ch m, by Golden Orb—Lady Vain (Mr. A. Thomson), 5 yrs, 11st. 12lb. J. Weymes 2

JOLLY FRIAR, br g, by Friar Marcus—Conclusion (Mr. G. Burrell), aged, 11st. 9lb...W. Thatcher 3

Also ran:—Blue Finch (Mr. G. Owen), Roman Ridicule (Mr. G. Elliott), Riviera (M. Moroney).

(Winner trained by Easterby, at Middleham)

STARTING PRICES.—5 to 4 on Potocki, 3 to 1 agst Golden Vanity, 5 to 1 Roman Ridicule, 10 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 4s.; places, 2s. 9d., 2s. 9d. Total win pool, 1,684 units; total place pool, 1,479 units.

Won by six lengths; three-quarters of a length separated second and third.

4.0 (4.0).—The UNITED CUMBRIAN HUNTS CHALLENGE CUP (steeplechase), value 25 sovs. with 70 sovs. added. Three miles.

BLUE ROCK II., b g, by Royal Letter—Merock (Mr. E. Watson), aged, 13st. ....Owner 1

REDSKIN III. (Mr. W. Bell), aged, 12st. 2lb. Mr. Marston 2

THE LEEK II. (Mr. J. Grindall), aged, 12st. 2lb. Mr. R. Grindall 3

Also ran:—Blackthorn XII. (F. Croney), Gora (Sir P. Lawson).

(Winner trained by Watson)

STARTING PRICES.—9 to 4 agst Gora, 5 to 2 each Blue Rock and Blackthorn XII, 10 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 8s. 6d.; places, 4s. 9d., 10s. Total win pool, 1,090 units; total place pool, 740 units.

Won by a distance; a bad third.

4.30 (4.32).—The CUMMERSDALE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 70 sovs. Two miles.

MAY COME, b g, by Tredennis—Avalanche (Mr. J. H. Brydon), aged, 11st. 7lb.....Mr. Hogg 1

HIS CHANCE, br g, by He—Opportuna (Mrs. Wybergh), 6 yrs, 11st. 5lb....Mr. E. Elliott 2

RETINA, br g, by Prospector—Focus (Mr. McClosky), aged, 11st. 13lb. ....W. Hayes 3

Also ran:—Battle Song (J. Keelan), Faturn Orb (J. Mason), Helbeck (Mr. E. Green), Manver (Mr. J. Young).

(Winner trained by Rayson, at King's Worthy)

STARTING PRICES.—3 to 1 each agst May Come, His Chance, and Retina, 5 to 1 Faturn Orb, 10 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 10s. 3d.; places, 4s. 6d., 5s. Total win pool, 1,247 units; total place pool, 1,077 units.

Won by eight lengths; three-quarters of a length separated second and third.

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5.0 (5.0).—The LONSDALE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 70 sovs. Two miles.

UNCAS II., br g, by Melbourne—Orage (Mr. A. Turner), aged, 10st. 10lb. ....M. Moroney 1

FELIX II., ch g (pedigree unknown) (Mr. W. L. Irving), aged, 11st. 7lb. ....A. Waudby 2

Also ran:—Colonial Scot (G. Hamilton), Dunzar (G. Swann).

(Winner trained by Moroney, at Penrith)

STARTING PRICES.—Evens Colonial Scot, 7 to 4 agst Felix II., 6 to 1 Uncas II., 10 to 1 agst Dunzar.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 10s. 9d. Total win pool, 1,936 units.

Won by 20 lengths. Only two finished.

BIRMINGHAM PROGRAMME

(The letter "a" is prefixed to the names of horses which have arrived)

2.0.—The BROMSGROVE SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs. Five furlongs (straight).

	Yrs	st	lb
aFreidon (Sir D. Broughton)......Farquharson	a	10	0
Mars (Mrs. M. Snelling) ....Peel-Yates	6	10	3
Joliment (Mr. B. Warner) ......F. Armstrong	6	10	3
Hit the Deck (Mr. A. D. McAlpine) Barthropp	4	10	2
Ducks and Drakes (Mr. I. Z. Davis)....Thrale	4	10	0
Crawford (Mr. A. Douglas-Pennant) Douglas-Pennant	a	10	0
King's Colour (Mr. R. Holbeck) ....Private	5	10	0
Open Prospect (Mr. S. McGregor)......Bullock	6	10	0
Lonesome (Mr. G. F. Waller)........H. Smyth	6	10	0
Lively Jane (Colonel H. M. Curtis) R. Gordon	4	9	13
Glass Lady (Mr. C. Barlow) ....J. Dodd	3	8	13
Kiss Curl (Mrs. E. Clayton) ....J. Cannon	3	8	13
Royal Abbess (Lady B. Gilbert) De Moleyns	3	8	13
aFanada (Mr. G. W. Hands) ....Saxby	3	8	13
aHalf Wit (Mr. J. B. Joel) ....C. Peck	3	8	13
Mylas (Mr. C. Leader) ....C. Leader	3	8	13
Warmingham (Mrs. E. Spottiswoode)..Private	3	8	13
aFugitive (Mr. E. Thornton-Smith) Templeman	2	6	12
aBright Jewel (Mr. E. Martin) ....Martin	2	6	9

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

FREIDON, R. Jones; FANADA, H. Graves; HALF WIT, B. Carslake; BRIGHT JEWEL, I. Martin.

2.30.—The DODDINGTON SELLING PLATE of 200 sovs.; for two-year-olds. Five furlongs (straight).

	St	lb
aGoldenbloom (Miss H. Cooper) ....Larkin	9	0
Young Ben (Mr. S. McGregor) ....Bullock	9	0
The Grange c, by Vencedor (Mr. S. McGregor) Gwilt	9	0
aPlutocrat (Mr. E. Thornton-Smith)..Templeman	9	0
aStrega (Mr. A. Williams) ....Coldbeck	9	0
Calmette (Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Birkin) Leach, sen.	8	11
Sirocco (Colonel B. FitzGerald) ......H. Lowe	8	11
Mirabelle (Mr. D. Fraser) ......Douglas-Pennant	8	11
aMoonlight (Sir F. Freake) ....Kirk	8	11
Hunt Ball (Mr. R. H. A. Gresson) ......Rimell	8	11
aKarelia f, by The Winter King (Mr. G. W. Hands) Saxby	8	11
Valid (Mr. H. R. King) ....Leach, jun.	8	11
Queen of Love f, by Diomedes (Mr. H. Leader) H. Leader	8	11
Waterford Glass f, by Craig-an-Eran (Mr. D. Macnee) Macnee	8	11
aFurrow (Mr. V. P. Misa) ....V. Smyth	8	11
aMonday (Mr. G. C. Poole) ....Poole	8	11
aMrs. Shears (Mrs. N. Roberts) ....Roberts	8	11
Trilla (Mrs. C. Stead) ....H. Leader	8	11
Ballydine f, by Pomponious (Mr. M. Wickham-Boynton) J. Beary	8	11

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

GOLDENBLOOM, Forsyth; MRS. SHEARS, Hodges; STREGA, F. Lane; MOONLIGHT, R. James; KARELIA FILLY, H. Graves; VALID, H. Leach; FURROW, R. Jones; MONDAY, —.

3.0.—The BURTON HANDICAP, a plate of 500 sovs.; second to receive 75 sovs. and third 25 sovs. One mile and a quarter.

	Yrs	st	lb
Paul Carey (Mr. W. M. G. Singer)..Lawson	4	8	12
Yutrill (Mr. S. A. Barry) ....Whalley	6	8	11
aGay Light (Mrs. D. Crossman) ....Pope	4	8	7
Brigliadoro (Mr. A. de Rothschild)..Watson	6	8	3
Irish Romance (Mr. E. Thornton-Smith) Templeman	5	8	2
Obvious (Mr. J. M. Clayton) ....J. Cannon	a	7	13
Boldero (Mr. J. S. Austen) ....C. Waugh	5	7	12
Pauli (Lord Wolverton) ......Frank Butters	4	7	7
aRock Forrard (Mr. H. J. Brueton) C. Piggott	5	7	7
Notice Board (Colonel B. FitzGerald) H. Lowe	4	7	6
aLongford (Mr. A. R. Heath) ....Morris	5	7	4
Simeon's Charm (Mr. C. R. Taylor) Coulthwaite	4	7	4
Turkish Maid (Mrs. H. E. Lyons) Peel-Yates	4	7	4
aInfidel (Mr. R. Walker) ....Bullock	4	7	4

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

YUTRILL, —; GAY LIGHT, R. Jones; IRISH ROMANCE, —; BOLDERO, R. James; ROCK FORRARD, H. Whitehouse; LONGFORD, F. Sharpe; INFIDEL, —. F. Fox rides either Yutrill or Irish Romance.

3.30.—The COVENTRY PLATE of 200 sovs.; for two-year-olds. Five furlongs (straight).

	St	lb
aElegant (Sir W. Cooke) ....Read	8	6
aFindhorn (Mr. D. Crossman) ....Pope	8	6
Escolta Real (Lord Lonsdale) ......Pickering	8	6
Queenetta c, by Bachelor's Craft (Mr. G. R. Sadler) G. Sadler	8	6
Square Talk c, by Black Gauntlet (Mr. R. L. V. Sherwood) Beedle	8	6
Invervox (Mrs. K. Weld) ....J. Beary	8	6
aFair Bargain (M. J. Wittouck) ....Braime	8	3
Prosperity Party (Mrs. R. G. Borwick) Morris	8	3
First Venture (Mr. H. L. Cottrill) ....Cottrill	8	3
Icelink (Mr. A. R. Cox) ....Lawson	8	3
aBon Reve (Sir F. Eley) ....Templeman	8	3
Bella Greta (Mr. A. W. Gordon)....F. Leader	8	3
Hurry In (Mr. W. J. Gresson) ....Rimell	8	3
Mary Lochiel f, by Flying Orb (Mrs. Hartigan) M. Hartigan	8	3
Shy Baby (Mr. F. W. Horlock)....Walter Griggs	8	3
Bon Voyage (Mr. F. C. Minoprio) ......Private	8	3
Spion Tory, by Spion Kop—Telescombe (Mrs. J. A. Paull) H. Leader	8	3
Allegro (Mr. E. Prichard) ....O. Bell	8	3
Maud Musk g, by Friar Marcus (Mr. W. T. Sears) Leach, jun.	8	3
aGay Soloist (Mr. Friend Sykes) ....Morris	8	3

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

ELEGANT, F. Fox; FINDHORN, R. Jones; HURRY IN, T. Rimell; SHY BABY, G. Skelton; MAUD MUSK GELDING, G. Baines; GAY SOLOIST, H. Graves.

4.0.—The WATER ORTON PLATE, a high-weight handicap of 200 sovs. One mile, on the Round Course.

	Yrs	st	lb
Sargasso (Lord Derby) ......Frank Butters	4	8	12
aYearly (Mr. B. Warner) ....O. Anthony	5	8	10
Port Arthur (The Maharajah Jam Sahib of Nawanagar) A. Sadler	a	8	10
aHope (Mr. I. Z. Davis) ....Thrale	a	8	10
Richelieu II. (Mr. G. Peek) ......J. Cannon	5	8	9
Orbril (Mr. T. R. Rimell) ....Rimell	4	8	7
Taximeter (Mr. J. E. Cottrell) ....Gilbert	6	8	5
Paintbox (Mr. F. Phillips) ....Rimell	6	8	4
Sunnier (Lady Scarbrough) ....F. Leader	4	8	4
Nestorian (Mrs. E. Wallace) ....J. Beary	5	8	2
aMontaigne (Mr. J. C. Hill) ....Kirk	4	8	0
Pot Hot (7lb. ex.) (Mr. C. Hailey)..A. Sadler	4	8	0
Silver Lute (Mr. J. W. Harvie)..Leach, jun.	5	7	12
Son John (Mr. F. W. Baker) ....East	6	7	12
aCopacabana (Major L. B. Holliday) De Mestre	4	7	11
Bachelor's Castle (Mr. Harry Powner) Harry Powner	6	7	10
aFootmark (Mr. C. B. Rowe)......C. Chapman	4	7	10
aCaught Napping (Mr. M. H. Benson) M. Hartigan	3	7	9
Old Ann (Mr. H. J. Brueton)......F. Hudson	4	7	9
aPrincess Galahad (Mr. P. H. McKay) Coldbeck	5	7	7
Gay Guy (M. M. Calmann) ....Lawson	4	7	7

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

SARGASSO, F. Lane; YEARLY, F. Fox; HOPE, H. Whitehouse; ORBRIL, Morris; MONTAIGNE, T. Lowrey; POT HOT, R. James; COPACABANA, —; BACHELOR'S CASTLE, —; FOOTMARK, W. Wells; PRINCESS GALAHAD, A. Burns.

4.30.—The DECKER HILL MAIDEN PLATE of 200 sovs.; for three-year-olds. One mile and a half.

	St	lb
Rivaley (Mr. R. C. Phillips) ....Macnee	9	9
Smoky Light (Mr. F. W. Horlock) Walter Griggs	9	8
Norland (Lord Derby) ......Frank Butters	9	5
Lord Bobs (Mr. M. H. Benson)....M. Hartigan	8	12
aSon of Mint (Mr. J. Brown) ....Moreton	8	12
aScotch Don (Mr. C. E. Howard) ....Higgs	8	12
Roman Candle II. (Mr. H. Pulitzer)..S. Darling	8	12
Oracle (Mr. J. A. de Rothschild) ......Pratt	8	12
Eppie Adair (Major T. G. N. Bardwell)..C. Leader	8	9
Little Benison (Mr. M. Bode) ....Dandas	8	9
Ardrowan (Sir H. Cunliffe-Owen) ......O. Bell	8	9
aGladius (Mr. V. P. Misa) ....V. Smyth	8	9
Kilkenny (Mr. W. Murray) ....Cottrill	8	9
Champs-Elysees (Mr. C. F. H. Priday)..Priday	8	9
Naughty (Mr. A. de Rothschild) ......Watson	8	9
Silver Circus (Mrs. S. Whitburn) ......Cottrill	8	9

PROBABLE STARTERS AND JOCKEYS

SCOTCH DON, M. Wing; GLADIUS, R. Jones or W. Gilchrist.

WINNING JOCKEYS

The following table shows the positions and percentages of the most successful jockeys to date, together with the result of investing £1 on each of their mounts:—

	Won	Lost	Total	Per-centage	£1 stake system £	s.	d.
P. Beasley	10	32	42	23·80	+23	14	4
C. Ray	10	48	58	17·24	+16	18	4
T. Lowrey	7	35	42	16·66	+15	7	6
C. Elliott	7	37	44	15·90	−8	1	6
G. Richards	7	62	69	10·14	−37	7	11
H. Wragg	6	58	64	9·37	−28	15	0
F. Fox	6	62	68	8·82	−11	10	0
T. Weston	5	51	56	8·92	−31	16	8
J. Simpson	4	29	33	12·12	+31	0	0
H. Jelliss	4	29	33	12·12	−17	17	2
R. Dick	4	31	35	11·42	−3	15	0
J. Dines	4	38	42	9·52	−21	15	0
M. Beary	4	44	48	8·33	−35	7	6
J. Sirett	4	54	58	6·89	−17	10	0
R. Perryman	4	56	60	6·66	−34	14	3

PLUMPTON RESULTS

2.0 (2.0).—The HASTINGS SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

LARGIE, b g, by Lomond—Carpentia (Mr. W. Harris), aged, 12st. ....E. Vinall 1

BORJOM, b h, by Black Jester—Titanite (Mr. G. A. Butchers), 6 yrs, 12st. .. T. Chisman 2

TOWER HILL, b g, by His Majesty—Merciless (Mr. D. Heneage), aged, 12st. .. F. Brookes 3

Also ran:—Assignee (F. Rees), Merrie Memories (B. McHardy), Redshank (P. Prendergast), Pine Bluff (J. Browne).

(Winner trained by C. Young, at Findon)

STARTING PRICES.—2 to 1 agst Assignee, 3 to 1 Pine Bluff, 7 to 2 Largie, 100 to 12 each Redshank and Borjom, 100 to 7 Tower Hill, 20 to 1 agst Merrie Memories.

TOTALISATOR PRICES (each unit represents 2s. stake).—Win dividend, 7s. 6d.; places, 4s., 9s. 3d. Total win pool, 5,301 units; total place pool, 3,437 units.

Won by a neck; a length separated second and third. Pine Bluff was fourth and Assignee last.

The winner was bought in for 85 guineas.

2.30 (2.33).—The UCKFIELD SELLING HURDLE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

IRISH LORD, b g, by Irish Battle—Lady M.C. (Mr. S. Wootton), 5 yrs, 11st. 5lb. J. McGonigal 1

SMALL POLLY, b h, by Junior—Polista (Mr. G. Bates), 5 yrs, 11st. 10lb. ..... Mr. Whitfield 2

MORLA, br g, by Morena—Lady Lucy (Mr. W. Hutchinson), 4 yrs, 10st. 7lb. T. Chisman 3

Also ran:—Cloniara (S. Ingham), Ben Trovato (A. Escott), Haply (F. Grantham).

(Winner trained by F. Wootton, at Epsom)

STARTING PRICES.—5 to 2 on Irish Lord, 6 to 1 agst Cloniara, 8 to 1 Morla, 10 to 1 Ben Trovato, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 3s.; places, 2s. 6d., 7s. 3d. Total win pool, 5,434 units; total place pool, 5,009 units.

Won by a length and a half; a bad third. Cloniara was fourth and Haply the only other to finish.

The winner was bought in for 70 guineas.

3.0 (3.2).—The PRESTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 250 sovs. Three miles.

CASTLETOWN, b g, by Longtown—Octocide (Mr. E. Platt), aged, 11st. 11lb.........W. Stott 1

MOUNTAIN SLIP, br g, by Mountaineer—Lamentable (Mr. F. C. Parker), 6 yrs, 11st. 9lb. F. Brookes 2

CAT BURGLAR, b g, by Regal—Nic (Mr. W. Hutchinson), aged, 9st. 9lb.....P. Prendergast 3

Also ran:—Paris Flight (E. Vinall), Lucky Charlie (R. Everett).

(Winner trained by G. Poole, at Lewes)

STARTING PRICES.—6 to 4 on Castletown, 4 to 1 agst Paris Flight, 11 to 2 Mountain Slip, 100 to 6 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 3s. 9d.; places, 2s. 9d., 4s. 9d. Total win pool, 5,537 units; total place pool, 4,360 units.

Won by five lengths; two lengths separated second and third. Lucky Charlie was fourth.

3.30 (3.31).—The EASTER HANDICAP HURDLE of 250 sovs. Two miles.

ROI DE SABA, gr c, by Roi Herode—Sabia (Sir P. Newson), 4 yrs, 11st. 6lb............G. Pellerin 1

FIRST OFFENCE, ch h, by White Eagle—Polar Belle (Mr. R. Cornelius), 6 yrs, 11st. 3lb. D. Butchers 2

BREWSTER, b g, by Drinmore—Grey Dawn (Mr. W. Hutchinson), 6 yrs, 9st. 11lb....P. Prendergast 3

Also ran:—Invermark (F. Rees), Two Royals (F. Brookes), Grandene (J. McGonigal), St. Michael's Mount (W. Stott), Dream Ship (A. Escott), Lambin (R. Everett), Beau de Ghent (T. Chisman), Evening Sun (F. Grantham), Lemurian (S. Ingham).

(Winner trained by W. Nightingall, at Epsom)

STARTING PRICES.—9 to 4 agst First Offence, 9 to 2 Roi de Saba, 5 to 1 St. Michael's Mount, 6 to 1 Dream Ship, 10 to 1 each Brewster and Lambin, 100 to 8 each Invermark and Grandene, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 9s. 9d.; places, 3s. 9d. 3s. 3d., 10s. 9d. Total win pool, 6,889 units; total place pool, 7,096 units.

Won by a head; six lengths separated second and third. Invermark was fourth and Lambin last.

4.0 (4.0).—The CLAYTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles.

YOUNG PRINCE, gr g, by Prince Philip—Juvenile (Mr. W. Maiden), 6 yrs, 10st. 4lb.....G. Hardy 1

SHADOW, ch g, by Lally—Terra d'Ombra (Mr. A. W. Groom), aged, 11st. 6lb..............R. Everett 2

HOLIDAY HALL, ch g, by Holiday House—Peahen (Mr. R. A. Harmsworth), aged, 12st. 6lb. W. Stott 3

Also ran:—Beggar's End (F. Rees), Afrikander (W. Davies), Wild Rake (M. Doherty), Black Sheep (J. Browne), Sir Dennis (F. Maxwell), Soucar (T. Chisman).

(Winner trained by Reardon, at Epsom)

STARTING PRICES.—5 to 2 agst Shadow, 11 to 4 Holiday Hall, 9 to 2 each Young Prince and Beggar's End, 10 to 1 Black Sheep, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 18s. 3d.; places, 3s., 2s. 6d., 2s. 9d. Total win pool, 7,032 units; total place pool, 7,625 units.

Won by three lengths; a short head separated second and third. Beggar's End was fourth and Black Sheep last.

4.30 (4.31).—The STAYERS' HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. Three miles.

GOLDEN BAY, b h, by Golden Myth—Bayazid (Mr. J. Mayo), 6 yrs, 11st. 10lb...........E. Vinall 1

MONTPELIER, br g, by Zria—Lady Mar (Mr. G. Bates), aged, 12st. 2lb..........Mr. Whitfield 2

GUERRILLERO, gr g, by Spion Kop—No Quarter (Mr. R. N. Willett), 4 yrs, 10st. ... R. Harding 3

Also ran:—Douanier (W. Stott), Lashaway (F. Grantham), Clash Morgan (P. Prendergast), Puttacota (H. Nicholson), Orminster (Owner), Byron (F. Brookes), Deskrie (F. Maxwell).

(Winner trained by C. Young, at Findon)

STARTING PRICES.—9 to 4 agst Douanier, 7 to 2 Golden Bay, 4 to 1 Montpelier, 5 to 1 each Puttacota and Byron, 100 to 7 Clash Morgan, 20 to 1 each agst the others.

TOTALISATOR PRICES.—Win dividend, 11s. 6d.; places, 4s. 3d., 5s. 6d., 14s. Total win pool, 7,525 units; total place pool, 6,988 units.

Won by three lengths; four lengths separated second and third. Puttacota was fourth and Deskrie last.

BILLIARDS

THE PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Davis, the holder, beat Falkiner in the first heat of the Professional Championship at Thurston's Hall in Leicester-square on Saturday by 2,160 points. Davis will now meet the winner of the game between Newman and Inman, which will be begun to-day, in the final heat.

As there was no play on Good Friday another extra session was held on Saturday morning, and Davis, who began the final day's play with a lead of only 273, increased his advantage to 719. Falkiner had played with great resource in the later stages of the game, as is shown by the fact that at one time during the match he was nearly 3,000 points behind, but Davis had the better of the play all through the day. During the early session he scored 991 for an average of 62, while Falkiner made 545 for an average of 34. The form was moderate, the highest runs by Davis being 131 (full), 58, 142, 119, 248, 114, 107, and 21 (unfinished), while Falkiner's highest breaks were 129, 48, 100, and 93. Davis increased his lead in the afternoon to 1,112, scoring 1,020 for an average of 127, while Falkiner made 627 for an average of 90. The play during this session was very good. Davis made runs of 47 and 42 close cannons, and by accurate top-of-the-table play he increased his unfinished break to 375. With his opponent missing a promising opening, Davis went farther ahead with a break of 92, and, although Falkiner showed very nice form while making runs of 141, 136, 117, and 70, Davis played consistently and added breaks of 161, 72, and 195. This steady form was maintained well. At his last two visits Davis made runs of 80 and 66, and Falkiner added breaks of 70 and 88 (unfinished).

The scores at the interval were:—Davis, 20,413; Falkiner (in play), 19,301.

Davis gave a very fine display in the evening, when he won the match well by scoring 1,562 for an average of 142, while Falkiner made 514 for an average of 47. Falkiner increased his unfinished break only to 94 and, with the exception of a run of 396, he did little. Davis was in his best form. He played brilliantly while making a break of 585, which included runs of 71 and 70 cannons, and later in the session he added a break of 357, which included runs of 65 and 40 cannons. Davis continued to score very freely by means of cannon play, and in a break of 306 he made a run of 90 of these strokes. In the end Davis went to game with a break of 710 (unfinished), having averaged 85 for the match, while Falkiner's average for the fortnight's play was 74.

The result was:—Davis, 21,975; Falkiner, 19,815.

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ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

A DRAWN GAME AT HUDDERSFIELD

Huddersfield and The Arsenal, who meet in the F.A. Cup Final at Wembley this week, played a League match at Huddersfield on Saturday which resulted in a draw, each side scoring two goals.

It was impossible while watching the game to put all thoughts of the Final out of mind, but a combination of circumstances made any inferences which could be drawn of very doubtful value. In the first place Jack and James were away from the one side, and Fogg, Wilson, and Lewis from the other, and, in the second, rain made the ground impossibly slippery and treacherous. A few facts, however, did emerge from a game which, after a rather timid beginning, produced some surprisingly hard and good football.

One was that The Arsenal are exceptionally lucky in that Huddersfield have not got a great centre-forward. Seddon is a hard worker and he never stops trying, but he seldom seems to be in the place where he is wanted and he has few ideas as a constructive player. Another was that Baker found it much more difficult to hold Smith than John found it to hold Jackson. Jackson is such a fine and unaccountable player that an off-day means nothing at all, but the ease with which Smith beat Baker must have been disquieting to those who want to see The Arsenal win. Smith is not at his best nowadays, and his centres have lost some of their old cleverness and accuracy, but he was too much for Baker on Saturday and a great deal of work was thrown on to the steady and capable shoulders of Parker. Another was that Lambert's direct, simple methods were singularly ineffective against such sophisticated backs as Goodall and Spence, but Lambert seldom got the ball as he wanted it, and it is probable that the absence of that wandering, nonchalant figure in midfield, James, made all the difference to him. Another, and a striking, fact was that Bastin is as cool-headed as he is clever, and the goal he scored was a perfect illustration of his refusal to be flustered at a critical moment. He started the movement himself by pushing the ball forward to Hulme and, after Turner had punched away Hulme's centre, he found the ball bouncing towards him as he stood some 15 yards from goal. The position of Turner and the defence was such that a well-directed shot, however gentle, must score, and Bastin, instead of shooting hard and hurriedly, judged the bounce with the utmost deliberation and hooked the ball with his left foot into the corner of the net. No review of the game would be complete without reference to Hulme. Hulme, like all players who stand out from the ruck, has his bad days as well as his good, but his speed, his determination, and his tendency to do the unexpected make him a thoroughly dangerous player.

It would be hard to imagine a more dismal day than Saturday, and the icy wind and the rain kept the spectators on the popular side down to a few hundreds. The game began as though both teams were frightened of inciting each other to any untoward display of vigour and energy, but Bastin's goal, after five minutes' play, made an immense difference to the match, which, from that point on until tiredness made itself apparent in the last quarter of an hour, was fought out at a considerable pace and with plenty of spirit. Huddersfield equalized after another five minutes, but Preedy should have saved Kelly's shot, powerful as it was. Davies began the movement by swinging the ball across from inside-left over to Jackson, who passed inside to G. Kelly. G. Kelly lost the ball, but it came back to R. Kelly, a player with an uncanny sense of anticipation, and R. Kelly drove in a splendid high shot from about 30 yards out. Preedy got his hands to it, but the ball was slippery, and he could not hold it. The rest of the first half saw Huddersfield have slightly more of the play, but The Arsenal right wing—if Baker failed to hold Smith he did what he could to make up for it by his excellent combination with Hulme and Bastin—brought off some good movements, and Goodall and Spence were kept almost as busy as Parker and Hapgood. After 25 minutes or so Huddersfield took the lead. Redfern took a free kick and sent the ball out to Smith, and after a little scramble near The Arsenal goal-mouth, the ball went to G. Kelly, who shot through. A long dribble by R. Kelly tied up The Arsenal defence, but the ball was lost at the last moment, and, a minute before half-time, The Arsenal drew level. Again the goal was due to Bastin's clear-headedness and ability to make the most of the fraction of time he was given by the Huddersfield defence. Hulme was the obvious person for him to pass to, and Hulme was ready, but he was marked, and Bastin, taking the situation in, passed across to Jones, who had a corner of the field to himself. Jones placed the ball back into the goal-mouth, Turner could not get it away, and Hulme, appearing where Lambert might have been expected to be, scored from very close range.

If it had not been for the state of the ground, which made quick turning impossible and badly hampered the mobility of the defence, the fact that on three occasions in the second half Huddersfield forwards were left with the ball unmarked right in front of goal, would have been ominous and, even as it was, the gaps looked rather too easy to find. G. Kelly, who, early in the second half, went outside-right and let Jackson come into the centre, had twice only to steer the ball with the inside of his foot to make certain of a goal, and Jackson himself, when Preedy dropped the ball right in front of him, somehow or other managed to miss. The Arsenal, however, had their moments, and Lambert, almost straight from the kick-off, was sent through, and his shot went only inches over the bar; but the strong play of the Huddersfield half-backs in general, and of Campbell, perhaps the best man on the field, in particular, kept the ball for the most part in The Arsenal half of the field. Huddersfield could not take their chances, however, and the game ended, as it was fitting it should, in a draw. If the game proved nothing new, it was, at any rate, interesting to watch, and it made it even more clear that this year's Final will be fought out between two evenly-matched teams that can, and do, play good football.

HUDDERSFIELD TOWN.—Turner, goal; Goodall and Spence, backs; Redfern, Young, and Campbell, half-backs; Jackson, Kelly, R., Kelly, G., Davies, and Smith, forwards.

THE ARSENAL.—Preedy, goal; Parker and Hapgood, backs; Baker, Seddon, and John, half-backs; Hulme, Bastin, Lambert, Johnson, and Jones, forwards.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

BIRMINGHAM.—Aston Villa v. Portsmouth (3.0).
DERBY.—Derby County v. Sheffield Wednesday (3.0).
LEICESTER.—Leicester City v. Arsenal (3.0).
LIVERPOOL.—Liverpool v. Newcastle United (3.15).
MANCHESTER.—Manchester City v. Leeds United (3.0).
MIDDLESBROUGH.—Middlesbrough v. Blackburn Rovers (3.0).
SUNDERLAND.—Sunderland v. Bolton Wanderers (3.15).

SECOND DIVISION

BARNSLEY.—Barnsley v. Millwall (3.15).
BRADFORD.—Bradford City v. Hull City (3.15).
BRISTOL.—Bristol City v. Chelsea (3.15).
NOTTINGHAM.—Nottingham Forest v. Bury (3.0).
OLDHAM.—Oldham Athletic v. Blackpool (3.15).
READING.—Reading v. Cardiff City (3.15).
SOUTHAMPTON.—Southampton v. Bradford (3.15).
SWANSEA.—Swansea Town v. Charlton Athletic (3.15).
WEST BROMWICH.—West Bromwich Albion v. Tottenham Hotspur (3.0).
WOLVERHAMPTON.—Wolverhampton Wanderers v. Stoke City (3.15).

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN SECTION)

BRENTFORD.—Brentford v. Queen's Park Rangers (3.30).
BOURNEMOUTH.—Bournemouth and Boscombe Athletic v. Norwich City (3.0).
HOMERTON.—Clapton Orient v. Bristol Rovers (3.30).
SELHURST PARK.—Crystal Palace v. Luton Town (3.30).
EXETER.—Exeter City v. Northampton Town (3.15).
FULHAM.—Fulham v. Walsall (3.30).
NEWPORT.—Newport County v. Plymouth Argyle (3.30).
SOUTHEND.—Southend United v. Gillingham (3.30).
TORQUAY.—Torquay United v. Merthyr Town (10.45).
WATFORD.—Watford v. Swindon Town (3.15).

NORTHERN SECTION

ACCRINGTON.—Accrington Stanley v. South Shields (3.0).
BARROW.—Barrow v. Crewe Alexandra (3.15).
HALIFAX.—Halifax Town v. Chesterfield (3.15).
HARTLEPOOL.—Hartlepools United v. Rochdale (3.15).
LINCOLN.—Lincoln City v. Tranmere Rovers (3.0).
WIGAN.—Wigan Borough v. Nelson (3.15).
ROTHERHAM.—Rotherham United v. Doncaster Rovers (3.15).
WREXHAM.—Wrexham v. Southport (3.30).
YORK.—York City v. Port Vale (3.15).

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

GLASGOW.—Rangers v. Morton.
MOTHERWELL.—Motherwell v. Ayr United.
KILMARNOCK.—Kilmarnock v. Dundee.
GLASGOW.—Celtic v. Clyde.

ARMY CUP FINAL

ALDERSHOT.—1st Sherwood Foresters (Shorncliffe) v. 2nd Batt. Rifle Brigade (Colchester).

ATHENIAN LEAGUE

SOUTHALL.—Southall v. Bromley.
LEYTON.—Leyton v. Barnet.
SUTTON.—Sutton United v. Uxbridge Town.

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE

EASTBOURNE.—Eastbourne v. Aquarius.
HASTINGS.—Hastings and St. Leonards v. Kew.

MIDDLESEX CUP FINAL

CRICKLEWOOD (Hampstead ground).—Haywood's Sports v. Wealdstone.

LONDON JUNIOR CUP FINAL

CLAPTON.—Shaw Savill and Albion v. North Middlesex Gas (3.30).

CHELSEA'S VICTORY

A CLEVER GOAL

Chelsea beat Cardiff City at Stamford Bridge on Saturday by a goal, scored by Miller, to nothing. Heavy rain had left the ground greasy on the surface, particularly where bare patches are beginning to show themselves now that the season is almost over, but although there was much at stake the football, if not always of the very highest class, was beautifully clean and often good.

Chelsea are making a great and sustained effort this season to achieve promotion, and it was essential that they should win this match, which was played in an atmosphere of considerable excitement. Changes had to be made in the Chelsea half-back line, but the reserve strength of the London club is such that it was the play of this middle line which was the determining factor of the match. Chelsea, as soon as the match started, showed that they meant business, for they were on the attack almost at once, and Ferguson had hard luck when he ran forward to meet a centre from Crawford, his left-footed shot going only inches wide.

Crawford was playing well, and it was from one of his centres that Miller should have opened the scoring, for, although Mills was tackled and failed to gather it properly, he managed to push the ball to the inside left, who was unmarked and close to goal. Miller, however, after taking deliberate aim, shot over the bar. Chelsea kept up the pressure, and the Cardiff defence, with Nelson and Blackburn doing best, was hard put to it to keep them out. Millington, at the other end of the field, was hardly ever called upon in the Chelsea goal, for if the Cardiff forwards were able to get as far as Law and Odell they were rarely able to make any further progress. Once, however, he had to punch away a free kick taken by Nelson from the half-way line. Chelsea swept the play back and set up a series of attacks, which ended in their scoring one of the finest goals seen at Stamford Bridge for many a day. Jackson, who was playing for Pearson at outside left, was not a success, but it was from his pass to Mills that the movement started. Mills feinted to go to the left, and then suddenly back-heeled the ball to Miller, who had anticipated the move and run into the middle. The sudden change of direction opened up the Cardiff defence, and Wilson, receiving from Miller, opened it still further with a pass to Crawford. The outside right did his part well, for he centred for Miller to jump up and head the ball into the corner of the net. Before the excitement of this goal had died down Chelsea nearly scored again. Crawford passed across the field to Jackson, who passed to Miller, and Farquharson had to go full length and bring off a fine save to keep the ball out.

Chelsea were not so good a team in the second half as they were in the first, for although they made some spasmodic attacks the forward line, with Wilson troubled by an injury, had lost its cohesion. Mills, however, had two chances to add to the lead, for on both occasions he got right through, but he was too slow, and Nelson each time robbed him as he was in the act of shooting. Ten minutes from the end Chelsea should have made themselves quite safe, for after Miller had run outside and worked his way along the left, the Cardiff defence got into a rare tangle, and Wilson sent Jackson through with only the goalkeeper to beat from a few yards out. He got under the ball too much, however, and his shot struck the underside of the bar, only to bounce out of, instead of into, the goal. Wilson then had a chance, and at one time all the Chelsea forwards appeared to be trying to hustle the ball into the net, but it was somehow kept out, and finally cleared. The last few minutes were a great anxiety for Chelsea, and in spite of the magnificent efforts of the defence, with Townrow time and again coming away with the ball, Cardiff should have equalized—indeed, it was only an extraordinary piece of good fortune for Chelsea that they did not do so. There was an attack on the right and the ball reached Williams, who sent in a hard drive, at which Millington flung himself desperately. All he could do, however, was to beat it down to the feet of Davies, who in the second half had played at outside left, and, seeing the possibility of an opening, had run in from that wing. Millington was on the ground, and at the far end of the goal, but Davies, instead of tapping the ball into the net, shot hard, and it sailed over the bar.

The teams were:—

CHELSEA.—Millington, goal; Odell and Law, backs; Irving, Townrow, and Ferguson, half-backs; Crawford, Wilson, Mills, Miller, and Jackson, forwards.

CARDIFF CITY.—Farquharson, goal; Nelson and Roberts, backs; Wake, John, and Blackburn, half-backs; Davies (L.), Harris, Williams, Jones, and Thirlaway, forwards.

LEAGUE NOTES

Sheffield Wednesday have further strengthened their position at the head of the First Division of the League in the holiday games already played. They have now a lead of six clear points and two games in hand. Only Derby County, Aston Villa, who are now in the third place, and Manchester City could catch them up now, and that only if the Wednesday fail, as they are almost certain not to do. Few changes have come at the foot of the table. Everton have been making strenuous efforts, but as they could only draw with Manchester United they are now four points behind Grimsby Town, who beat Derby County. Newcastle United won once more and are now level with Sheffield United, who have only two games to play, and Burnley, who have only one. If Everton, Grimsby Town, and Newcastle United go on winning they may well pass these two, though Everton's task is almost too much for them to accomplish. They could get one point in front if they won all and the others failed in all their matches.

In the Second Division Oldham Athletic failed most unaccountably against Bristol City at Oldham, and while Blackpool won and Chelsea beat Cardiff City Oldham have now fallen to third place. Chelsea are now second, but they have three games still to play and all away from home. They should win at Bristol to-day, while Oldham and Blackpool meet at Oldham, and if Oldham and Chelsea should win Chelsea would get into the top place for the first time this season. There would remain their two games in the north against Bury and Preston North End, and these would be decisive as to their chances of getting back to the First Division. There is an interesting situation at the foot, for while Bristol City are four points below all the others there are eight teams with only four points separating them. Hull City, who are just above Bristol City, have several games in hand, and they should escape from the danger of sinking to the Third Division. Just above them are Barnsley, Notts County, Bradford City, Reading, Swansea Town, Preston North End, and Millwall. It will be a close struggle among them to escape the place at the foot beside Bristol City. Plymouth Argyle have made their place further secure at the top of the Southern Section of the Third Division, and it seems unlikely that they will now fail to reach the Second Division as they have done so often in recent years. The struggle between Port Vale and Stockport County in the Northern Section is a closer matter, and it is by no means certain which will prevail in the end.

ARMY CUP FINAL

The final tie of the Army Challenge Cup Competition will be played on the Command Central ground, Aldershot, to-day. The Duke of Gloucester will be present and will present the cup and medals at the finish of the match.

The teams will be:—

1ST BATTALION SHERWOOD FORESTERS.—Company Sergeant-Major C. F. Nicklin, goal; Private A. Cook and Lance-Corporal J. Baugh, backs; Lance-Sergeant R. H. Blohm, Lance-Corporal H. Hopewell, and Private A. Heppinstall, half-backs; Lance-Corporal H. Parr, Corporal A. Whittle, Lance-Sergeant W. McPhun, Private A. Goodley, and Corporal D. Allen, forwards.

2ND BATTALION THE RIFLE BRIGADE.—Bugler E. Cragg, goal; Rifleman J. Potts and Rifleman A. Weatherhead, backs; Corporal C. W. Graham, Corporal W. Garrett, and Colour Sergeant E. Isherwood, half-backs; Rifleman G. Bassett, Rifleman H. Howe, Colour Sergeant F. Fry, Rifleman H. Hunt, and Bandsman F. Ward, forwards.

Kick-off, 3 p.m.

The nineteenth Schools International match between England and Scotland will be played this afternoon on the Sheffield Wednesday ground. Kick-off, 3 p.m. Of the 18 matches played England has won seven, lost eight, and drawn three.

Wimbledon beat Ilford in an exhibition match at Amsterdam by three goals to two.—*Reuter*.

Dulwich Hamlet beat the Cologne Sports Club by three goals to one at Cologne.—*Reuter*.

Leyton beat the Red Star Olympics team at St. Ouen by two goals to one.—*Reuter*.

The Union Sportif Boulonnaise beat the Kent County Amateur League at Boulogne by three goals to two, and the same French club drew with Lloyds Bank, each side scoring a goal.—*Reuter*.

RESULTS AND TABLES

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

	Goals		Goals
*Birmingham (Fillingham)	1	Portsmouth	0
Sheffield Wednesday (Hooper)	1	*Blackburn Rovers	0
*Grimsby Town (Robson, Marshall)	2	Derby County (Barclay)	1
*Huddersfield Town (R. Kelly, G. Kelly)	2	The Arsenal (Bastin, Hulme)	2
*Leicester City (Duncan, Hine, Chandler)	3	Manchester City (Tait)	1
Sunderland (Gurney 4, Lawley, Wood)	6	*Liverpool	0
*Manchester United (Spence, McLenahan, Rowley)	3	Everton (White, Martin, Stein)	3
*Middlesbrough (Camsell, McKay, Pease)	3	Burnley (Beel)	1
*Newcastle United (Gallacher 2)	2	Leeds United (Keetley)	1
*Sheffield United (Tunstall, Dunne, S. Gibson)	3	Aston Villa (Beresford, Houghton 2)	3
*West Ham United (Watson 2, Barrett, Ruffell, Earle)	5	Bolton Wanderers (McKay, Blackmore, Gibson)	3

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Sheffield Wednesday	36	22	7	7	87	46	51
Derby County	38	19	8	11	78	68	46
Aston Villa	39	20	5	14	86	77	45
Manchester City	38	18	8	12	83	71	44
Leicester City	40	17	8	15	80	81	42
Huddersfield Town	39	17	8	14	60	64	42
Leeds United	38	18	5	15	72	56	41
West Ham United	40	18	5	17	83	76	41
Blackburn Rovers	39	17	6	16	93	90	40
Liverpool	40	16	8	16	63	78	40
Bolton Wanderers	40	15	9	16	72	67	39
The Arsenal	39	14	10	15	70	55	38
Birmingham	38	15	8	15	63	57	38
Sunderland	37	15	7	15	66	71	37
Manchester United	39	15	7	17	63	78	37
Portsmouth	39	14	8	17	64	61	36
Middlesbrough	39	15	5	19	76	78	35
Sheffield United	40	14	6	20	84	92	34
Burnley	41	13	8	20	73	95	34
Newcastle United	39	14	6	19	69	80	34
Grimsby Town	39	13	7	19	70	88	33
Everton	39	9	11	19	71	88	29

SECOND DIVISION

	Goals		Goals
*Barnsley (Eaton, Gibbs, Wallbanks)	3	Wolverhampton Wanderers (Rhodes)	1
*Blackpool (Hampson 2, Oxberry)	3	Bradford City	0
*Bradford (Harwood 2, Scott)	3	Stoke City (Liddle, Archibald)	2
*Bury (Bullock)	1	Swansea Town	0
*Chelsea (Miller)	1	Cardiff City	0
*Millwall (Horton, Cock)	2	Notts County	0
Preston North End (Bargh, Harrison, Smith, Reid)	4	*Nottingham Forest (Heslop, Burton)	2
*Oldham Athletic (Taylor, Dyson)	2	Bristol City (Vials, Homer)	2
*Southampton (Haines 2, Arnold, Jepson)	4	Reading (McPherson 3)	3
*Tottenham Hotspur (Smy, Harper 2)	3	Charlton Athletic	0
West Bromwich Albion (Glidden 2, Cookson 4, Boston)	7	Hull City (Mills)	1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Blackpool	39	26	3	10	96	63	55
Chelsea	39	21	11	7	71	42	53
Oldham Athletic	39	21	10	8	87	46	52
Bradford	38	18	9	11	78	63	45
Bury	38	19	5	14	72	60	43
Southampton	38	17	9	12	72	64	43
Cardiff City	40	17	8	15	56	56	42
West Bromwich Albion	39	18	5	16	93	69	41
Nottingham Forest	39	13	14	12	53	63	40
Tottenham Hotspur	39	15	9	15	56	54	39
Stoke City	39	15	8	16	72	67	38
Wolverhampton Wanderers	39	15	8	16	71	72	38
Charlton Athletic	39	13	11	15	54	57	37
Millwall	39	10	15	14	54	66	35
Preston North End	39	12	10	17	59	76	34
Swansea Town	40	12	9	19	52	61	33
Reading	40	11	11	18	52	66	33
Notts County	40	9	14	17	53	66	32
Bradford City	39	10	12	17	55	74	32
Barnsley	39	12	8	19	52	68	32
Hull City	37	12	7	18	45	73	31
Bristol City	38	10	8	20	52	79	28

THIRD DIVISION
SOUTHERN SECTION

	Goals		Goals
*Brentford (J. Lane)	1	Bournemouth and Boscombe Athletic	0
Queen's Park Rangers (Goddard 3)	3	*Brighton and Hove Albion (Dutton, Kirkwood)	2
*Bristol Rovers (Dix, Forbes, Phillips)	3	Walsall (Bradford)	1
*Clapton Orient (Jack 2, Edmonds 2, Tricker 2)	6	Luton Town (Yardley)	1
*Coventry City (Loughlin 2, Widdowson 2, Lake)	5	Southend United (Baron)	1
*Newport County (Martin 2)	2	Northampton Town (Weston)	1
*Plymouth Argyle (Vidler 4)	4	Norwich City (Porter)	1
*Swindon Town (Morris)	1	Fulham (Avey)	1
*Torquay United (Keeling)	1	Gillingham (Bethell)	1
*Watford (Barnett 2)	2	Exeter City (Hemingway)	1
*Merthyr Town (Williams 4, Gough)	5	Crystal Palace (Simpson 2)	2

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Plymouth Argyle	38	27	8	3	92	33	62
Brentford	39	26	5	8	88	39	57
Brighton and Hove Albion	39	20	8	11	83	54	48
Queen's Park Rangers	39	19	9	11	76	64	47
Northampton Town	38	20	6	12	69	47	46
Coventry City	38	18	8	12	84	67	44
Southend United	38	15	12	11	66	49	42
Norwich City	37	16	10	11	82	67	42
Fulham	38	16	10	12	77	76	42
Crystal Palace	39	15	11	13	73	72	41
Bournemouth and Boscombe Athletic	38	14	12	12	64	55	40
Luton Town	39	14	11	14	62	71	39
Clapton Orient	39	12	13	14	47	56	37
Watford	39	13	8	18	52	69	34
Swindon Town	39	11	12	16	65	77	34
Exeter City	38	11	10	17	58	61	32
Newport County	39	11	10	18	69	78	32
Walsall	37	12	6	19	65	71	30
Bristol Rovers	38	10	7	21	62	87	27
Torquay United	38	8	10	20	56	88	26
Gillingham	39	9	7	23	43	86	25
Merthyr Town	38	4	9	25	52	124	17

NORTHERN SECTION

	Goals		Goals
*Barrow (Lucas)	1	Tranmere Rovers (Meston)	1
*Carlisle United (Henderson, Hutchison)	2	Rochdale	0
Darlington (Mitchell, Liddle)	2	*Crewe Alexandra (Owen)	1
South Shields (Maycock)	1	*Nelson	0
*New Brighton (Taylor)	1	Chesterfield (Hunt)	1
*Port Vale (Jennings, Griffiths 2, James, Pynegar)	5	Lincoln City (Roberts, Jenkins)	2
*Southport (Hills, Cowen)	2	Accrington Stanley	0
*Stockport County (F. Newton 3)	3	Doncaster Rovers	0
*Wigan Borough (Scurr)	1	Rotherham United (Orr)	1
*Wrexham (Bamford 2)	2	Halifax Town (Bell)	1
*York City (Evans 2, Gardner, Bottrill)	4	Hartlepools United (J. Mordue)	1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Port Vale	38	26	7	5	92	36	59
Stockport County	39	26	7	6	101	42	59
Chesterfield	39	21	6	12	71	49	48
Darlington	40	20	6	14	102	73	46
York City	39	14	16	9	72	58	44
Crewe Alexandra	38	17	8	13	81	60	42
Lincoln City	39	14	14	11	69	58	42
Tranmere Rovers	39	16	9	14	81	71	41
Hartlepools United	39	15	11	13	70	65	41
South Shields	39	16	9	14	68	60	41
New Brighton	40	16	8	16	66	72	40
Doncaster Rovers	39	15	9	15	62	63	39
Southport	39	13	12	14	76	72	38
Rochdale	38	15	7	16	75	84	37
Carlisle United	39	15	7	17	83	94	37
Accrington Stanley	39	14	7	18	80	76	35
Nelson	40	13	7	20	50	73	33
Wigan Borough	40	12	7	21	58	83	31
Wrexham	39	11	8	20	58	84	30
Rotherham United	39	10	8	21	65	106	28
Halifax Town	41	9	8	24	41	77	26
Barrow	40	10	5	25	40	96	25

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

	Goals		Goals
*Aberdeen (Yorston 2, Love)	3	Queen's Park	0
*Airdrieonians (Wood)	1	Rangers	0
*Celtic (McGrory 2, Napier, Wilson)	4	Kilmarnock	0
*Cowdenbeath (Lindsay, Black 2)	3	Hamilton Academicals	0
*Dundee United (Hart, Haddow)	2	Hibernians (Brown, Dobson)	2
*Heart of Midlothian (Smith)	1	Dundee	0
*Motherwell (Dowall, Ferrier 2)	3	Morton	0
*Partick Thistle (Boardman 2, Rae)	3	St. Mirren (Stewart, Rankin)	2
Falkirk (Gall, McGinnigle 2, Hamill)	4	*St. Johnstone (Stewart 2, Brown)	3

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Rangers	34	26	4	4	85	26	56
Aberdeen	38	23	7	8	85	61	53
Motherwell	36	23	5	8	91	47	51
Celtic	37	22	5	10	88	44	49
St. Mirren	38	18	5	15	73	56	41
Partick Thistle	35	15	9	11	67	54	39
Kilmarnock	37	15	9	13	77	71	39
Ayr United	37	16	6	15	69	88	38
Heart of Midlothian	38	14	9	15	69	69	37
Falkirk	36	14	9	13	56	63	37
Hamilton Academicals	37	14	7	16	76	80	35
Clyde	37	12	11	14	62	69	35
Queen's Park	37	15	4	18	67	71	34
Airdrieonians	37	15	4	18	58	66	34
Dundee	37	13	6	17	48	55	32
Cowdenbeath	36	11	7	18	57	69	29
Hibernians	37	9	11	17	45	61	29
Morton	36	10	7	19	63	83	27
Dundee United	38	7	8	23	56	109	22
St. Johnstone	37	6	7	24	47	94	19

*** The asterisk indicates the team on whose ground the match was played and the names in parentheses are those of the players who scored the goals.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

THE BARBARIANS' TOUR

NARROW DEFEAT AT CARDIFF

(FROM OUR RUGBY FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT)

The Barbarians played the second match of the Easter tour in South Wales on Saturday, when Cardiff beat them on the Cardiff Arms Park by a goal and two tries (11 points) to a goal and a dropped goal (9 points).

The defeat was rather unlucky, for, until the forwards tired, as touring packs are apt to do, the Barbarians were the better side and, but for the rare occurrence of a three-quarter back crossing the goal-line and yet failing to get the touch down, they would have scored another try. Cardiff were well below strength through the British tour in New Zealand and the international fixture in Paris, and as the Barbarians had in the field 11 international players, there was a good deal of credit as well as good fortune in Cardiff's victory. The Barbarians had won their first match, at Penarth, by 24 points to 9, largely because, man for man, they were much faster, and their opponents had no Bassett at full-back to pull up the sudden breaks-away and to use the wind and touch-line as he might. At Cardiff there remained an advantage in speed behind the scrummage but not among the forwards. The Cardiff pack was surprisingly swift and effective in the open and, without such players as R. Barrell, I. Isaacs, and H. Brothers to join in the passing movements, the Cardiff backs, T. Stone at stand-off half excepted, would have been well held.

Surprise need not be expressed at a Welsh club side on their own ground playing more like a team than a scratch fifteen, however brilliant, but it was disappointing to find the English centres, M. Robson and F. W. S. Malir, unable once more to distinguish themselves in favourable conditions on the Cardiff Arms Park. This time they were not ill-served by A. Key, while W. H. Lewis, at stand-off half-back, has never played better since that memorable match against Ireland at Swansea in 1926, when, with W. C. Powell, he promised to revive some of the former glories of Welsh back-play. At one time on Saturday, Lewis looked capable of beating Cardiff on his own. Perhaps he was inclined to keep the ball a stride or so too long, but there was no disputing the fact that his taking of passes, quickness off the mark, and sense for an opening were all first-class. Even more distinguished was his acceleration of pace in the moment after he had beaten a man. This enabled him to reach the open nearly every time that he cut through the centre. There is a world of difference between this kind of run, apparently straight through a defence, and the dashes of the powerful runners who plunge into the ruck instead of through the gap that matters.

Robson has proved that he can find the gap, and so has Malir, but neither has yet learned to give in full stride the kind of pass that helps instead of unsteadies or half pulls up the recipient. It was distinctly ironical that the one time that the perfect pass out to a wing man was given, and taken as well as it was given, D. St. Clair Ford, the Scottish International player, should have had the ill-luck to lose control of the ball at the very moment that he flung himself through the full-back's tackle and over the goal-line. On the other wing, it was, perhaps, even more disappointing to find A. G. Johnson, of Guy's Hospital, without a single real chance in attack. The Barbarians now delight in giving promising players like Johnson an opportunity to show what they can do in big football; the club cannot, of course, do more. Fortunately, Johnson's fine turn of speed was not entirely wasted, for he used it with almost crushing effect against J. Roberts, who was playing on the Cardiff right wing. Roberts is a strong and wholehearted runner, but, try as he would, he never could quite shake off Johnson, who, if handed off, still managed to get in a tackle from behind.

For the rest, W. C. C. Agnew, the youngest of this year's Scottish pack, shared with the veteran J. Graham most of the honours in the loose on the Barbarians' side. Up to a point the whole pack played well, but they were outstayed by an eight as fast as themselves, and it was this that really decided the match, apart from St. Clair Ford's bit of ill-luck. Behind a winning Cardiff pack, T. Stone, who has to play as fullback when F. L. Williams is available, became almost as difficult to stop as W. H. Lewis, and his passing with the centres and supporting forwards often was a pleasure to watch, though too often spoiled by forward passes at the last moment. C. G. Gosling, the Barbarians' full-back, like everyone else, was beaten occasionally by the tricks played with a lively ball by a cold, gusty wind, blowing diagonally across the field, but he also made some splendid saves and some of the best runs of the match.

W. H. Lewis scored a try for the Barbarians in the first 10 minutes. His run was started inside his own half of the field, and yet showed no signs of failing or loss of balance when the full-back had to be met and beaten by a swerve. Lewis kept so straight a path that J. W. Allen was given the easiest of place kicks. Cardiff did not manage to score any points until the last few minutes of the first half. Then some remarkably swift following-up by the forwards had the Barbarian defence in a tangle, the backs started some passing, and Roberts got in a surprise run. Stone made a fine attempt to convert from a difficult position, but missed by inches.

Early in the second half one of Lewis's best runs was quickly followed by a break-away by Cardiff, in the course of which Stone, supported by the forwards, beat the Barbarian defence. Isaacs scored, but Cravos's place kick just failed, and so Cardiff led by one point. This lead was all but wiped out by a passing movement that sent Ford tearing for the goal-line, but he lost the ball in the act of touching down. It was left to W. H. Lewis to score again for the Barbarians by dropping a goal. The chance was clear, direct from a scrummage formed in front of the goal-posts, but Lewis had to steady himself quickly, and not many players would have got in such a well-directed drop-kick standing bolt upright, balanced on one leg, and facing the touch-line rather than the goal. Not long afterwards Lewis nearly scored four more points at a slightly longer range, but this time he had no luck, and, with the Barbarian forwards failing and the Cardiff forwards steadily improving, the rest of the game went in favour of the home side, much to the joy and relief of a comparatively small but enthusiastic crowd. A run by J. H. John, Boon's reserve, on the left wing, led up to the winning try, which was scored by the international forward, R. Barrell, in the course of a determined rush. The game still might have ended in a draw, but Stone made no mistake with the place kick, and so Cardiff won an exciting match by two points.

The teams were:—

BARBARIANS.—C. G. Gosling (Royal Navy), back; D. St. Clair Ford (Royal Navy), M. Robson (Oxford University), F. W. S. Malir (Otley), and A. G. Johnson (Guy's Hospital), three-quarter backs; W. H. Lewis (Guy's Hospital) (captain) and A. Key (Old Cranleighans), half-backs; J. W. Allan (Melrose), C. F. Hanrahan (Dolphin), J. J. A. Embleton (Cambridge University), L. M. Stuart (Glasgow High School), R. G. S. Hobbs (the Army), J. Graham (Kelso), N. Murphy (Cork Constitution), and W. C. C. Agnew (Stewart's College), forwards.

CARDIFF.—E. Price, back; J. Roberts, R. Turnbull, Graham Jones, and J. H. John, three-quarter backs; T. Stone and Gwyn Jones, half-backs; S. C. Cravos (captain), K. P. Turnbull, T. Lewis, V. Griffiths, H. Brothers, R. Barrell, I. Isaacs, and V. R. Osmount, forwards.

Referee.—Mr. A. E. Freethy.

BRITISH v. FRENCH RAILWAYS

The return match between British Railways and French Railways on the ground of the Leicester Club, on Saturday, was drawn, each side scoring a goal (5 points). The previous match, at Limoges, was won by the French Railways by 14 points to 8.

The ground was very heavy and rain fell almost continuously. Twenty minutes after the start Gayraud, a second-row forward weighing over 16st., injured his ankle in a tackle and he took no further part in the game. The French side, in the circumstances, must be considered unlucky. The English forwards adapted themselves to the conditions so well that if the backs had been able to handle the ball the home team would have won easily. C. Hancock, D. T. Kent, L. A. Ginger, and J. O'Brien were always prominent, and, from the time of Gayraud's retirement, the British Railways had all the better of the play. They finished poorly, however, and the French tackling was very sound. A. Stock and S. Mountain, at centre, and H. Williams, at stand-off half-back, were in good form, as was W. E. Rowlette, and of the Frenchmen, Casauran, Sagnes, Marroix, Robert, and Nerat were outstanding.

After 10 minutes' pressure by the British Railways, their opponents broke away and Sagnes obtained a try which Salon converted. A few minutes later S. Mountain forced his way over, and H. Williams converted. This was the extent of the scoring.

The teams were:—

BRITISH RAILWAYS.—W. E. Rowlette (Dublin), back; J. G. Wilson (Ballymena), A. Stock (captain) (Wales and Newport), S. Mountain (Newport), and W. Hick (Darlington), three-quarter backs; H. Williams (Monkstown) and G. Manley (Pill Harriers), half-backs; C. Drake (Southern Railway), M. J. Maher (Leicester and Old Wesleyans), M. McInerney (Bective Rangers), A. G. Westbury (Pill Harriers), J. O'Brien (Pontypool), L. A. Ginger (Southern Railway), D. T. Kent (Hampshire and Trojans), and C. Hancock (Llanelly), forwards.

FRENCH RAILWAYS.—Boisseau (C.O.P.O.), back; Charles (captain) (A.S.M., Bordeaux), Latapie (A.S.M.), Faucher (C.O.P.O., Perigueux), and Nerat (A.S.P.O.), three-quarter backs; Salon and Robert (C.O.P.O.), half-backs; Borie (C.O.P.O., Perigueux), Marroix (C.O.P.O., Perigueux), Sagnes (A.S.M.), Gayraud (Toulouse), Casauran (A.S.M., Bordeaux), Galharague (A.S.M., Bordeaux), Traversier (S.O., Marseilles), and Gayou (C.O.P.O., Perigueux), forwards.

CLERMONT-FERRAND (AUVERGNE), April 19.—France beat Wales in an international schoolboys' match by 17 points to six here to-day. France has won five of the previous matches and Wales two.—*Reuter*.

The Old Blues were beaten by 11 points to nine by the Lyon Rugby Football Club.—*Reuter*.

London Scottish beat the Racing Club of Paris by 13 points to 10.—*Reuter*.

Broughton (Manchester) beat the Association Sportif de la Bourse by 17 points to 14.—*Reuter*.

RESULTS

	Pts.		Pts.
*Aberavon	22	Hartlepool Old Boys	7
*Bath	10	Northampton	8
Leicester	9	*Bristol	3
*Cross Keys	8	*Bradford	0
*Barnstaple	8	Headingley	4
*Blackheath	8	*Bridgwater Albion	3
*Cardiff	11	Barbarians	9
Halifax	8	*Coventry	5
*Gloucester	27	U.C.S. Old Boys	5
Old Millhillians	6	*Hartlepool Rovers	3
London Welsh	8	*Newport	7
Nuneaton	13	*Neath	12
*Plymouth Albion	9	Old Merchant Taylors	6
*Swansea	12	Harlequins	10
*North of Ireland	24	Manchester	6
*Dublin Wanderers	8	Birkenhead Park	5
*Otley	[illegible]	Wasps	11
London Irish	6	*University College, Cork	3
*Redruth	10	Old Paulines	10
*St. Ives	19	Catford Bridge	10
*Abergavenny	15	Lloyds Bank	10
*Finchley	21	Old Nottinghamians	3
Berkshire Wanderers	31	*Tonbridge and District	25
*Southampton Old Edwardians	3	Toc H	0
Old Edwardians	16	Westminster Bank (At Beckenham.)	5
B.T.H. (London)	6	*Falmouth	5
Kingston	18	*Southern Railway "A"	6

* Home Team.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

	Pts.		Pts.
*Batley	7	Hull	0
*Bramley	5	Wakefield Trinity	2
*Featherstone Rovers	5	Dewsbury	5
Leeds	10	*Hull Kingston Rovers	0
*Hunslet	10	Warrington	3
*Leigh	6	York	3
*Oldham	26	St. Helens Recreation	3
*Salford	11	Huddersfield	2
*St. Helens	31	Broughton Rangers	17
*Widnes	12	Wigan	0
*Wigan Highfield	46	Castleford	6

The match between Bradford Northern and Rochdale Hornets was abandoned after 45 minutes' play, when Rochdale Hornets were leading by 2 points to none. That between Halifax and Keighley was abandoned after 20 minutes' play in the second half, when Halifax were leading by 22 points to 2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

ABERAVON.—Aberavon v. Nuneaton (3.30).
BATH.—Bath v. Old Merchant Taylors (3.30).
BRISTOL.—Bristol v. Blackheath (3.30).
BEDFORD.—Bedford v. Cross Keys (3.0).
CARDIFF.—Cardiff v. Harlequins (3.30).
DEVONPORT.—Devonport Services v. Northampton (11.0).
GLOUCESTER.—Gloucester v. London Welsh (3.15).
LLANELLY.—Llanelly v. Hartlepool Old Boys (3.30).
DUBLIN.—Lansdowne v. Manchester.
NEWPORT.—Newport v. Pontypool (11.0).
NEATH.—Neath v. Old Cranleighans (3.30).
PENARTH.—Penarth v. Blackheath (11.0).
PLYMOUTH.—Plymouth Albion v. Leicester (3.30).
SWANSEA.—Swansea v. Barbarians (3.0).
TORQUAY.—Torquay Athletic v. Headingley (10.30).
WESTON.—Weston-super-Mare v. Coventry (3.0).
BELFAST.—North of Ireland v. Birkenhead Park.
OTLEY.—Otley v. Old Millhillians.
SIDMOUTH.—Sidmouth v. Birmingham.
BLENAVON.—Blenavon v. Lloyd's Bank.
REDRUTH.—Redruth v. Old Dunstonians.
EXMOUTH.—Exmouth v. Twickenham.
FALMOUTH.—Falmouth v. Catford Bridge.
ILKLEY.—Ilkley v. Wasps.
AMIENS.—Amiens v. Sevenoaks.
BIRMINGHAM.—Old Edwardians v. Moseley.
MILL HILL.—Old Haberdashers v. Old Nottinghamians.
READING.—Old Redingensians v. Old Haberdashers.

RUGBY LEAGUE

BRAMLEY.—Bramley v. Hull Kingston Rovers (3.30).
FEATHERSTONE.—Featherstone Rovers v. Batley (3.30).
HULL.—Hull v. Halifax (3.30).
HUDDERSFIELD.—Huddersfield v. Hunslet (3.30).
KEIGHLEY.—Keighley v. Bradford Northern (3.30).
LEEDS.—Leeds v. Oldham (3.30).
ROCHDALE.—Rochdale Hornets v. Leigh (3.30).
SALFORD.—Salford v. Broughton Rangers (3.30).
ST. HELENS.—St. Helens v. York (3.30).
WIDNES.—Widnes v. Barrow (3.30).
WARRINGTON.—Warrington v. Swinton (3.30).
WAKEFIELD.—Wakefield Trinity v. Wigan (3.30).
WIGAN.—Wigan Highfield v. St. Helens Recreation (3.30).

ASSOCIATION AMATEUR RESULTS

ATHENIAN LEAGUE

	Goals		Goals
*Walthamstow Avenue	6	Enfield	0
*Barnet	4	Hampstead	2
*Redhill	9	Cheshunt	3
*Uxbridge Town	2	Wealdstone	2

LONDON LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION

	Goals		Goals
*Chelmsford	1	Beckenham	0
Mitcham Wanderers	1	*Dagenham Town	0
*Epsom Town	3	Grays Athletic	3
*Erith and Belvedere	2	Bostall Heath	0
*Tooting Town	3	Romford	0

SPARTAN LEAGUE
PREMIER DIVISION

	Goals		Goals
*Brentwood and Warley	8	Lyons Club	0
*Egham	5	Colchester Town	0
*Metropolitan Police	4	Chesham United	1
*Slough	1	G.E. (Romford)	0

DIVISION I.

	Goals		Goals
*Cowley (Oxford)	6	Berkhamsted Town	0
*Hertford Town	6	Leagrave & District	1
*Hitchin Town	3	Apsley	2
*Hounslow	2	Eastbourne Comrades	0
*Leighton United	10	Polytechnic	1
Hayward's Sports	3	*Windsor and Eton	2

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE

	Goals		Goals
*Eastbourne	5	Kew Association	2
*Hastings and St. Leonards	4	Cambridge Town	2
*East Grinstead	6	Civil Service	2

MIDDLESEX JUNIOR CUP.—FINAL ROUND

	Goals		Goals
Uxbridge Town Reserves	2	Pinner (At Harrow)	2

RAILWAYS INTERNATIONAL MATCH

	Goals		Goals
England	5	Wales (At Leyton)	1

* Home team

ETON FIVES

SCHOOL HANDICAPS AT QUEEN'S CLUB

Senior and Junior Eton Fives Handicaps will be begun at Queen's Club, West Kensington, to-day. Owing to it being almost impossible to give inexperienced players an adequate handicap against players of real ability, the Junior Fives Handicap has been inaugurated this year. In the Senior Handicap the weaker pairs should receive very long odds indeed, as players who cannot take a good first cut can only hope to score points through their opponents hitting the first cut out, which is something like the height of optimism. The first round of the Senior Handicap will be begun at 10.30 a.m. to-day.

The draw is given below:—

HARROW V. (R. Pullbrook and T. B. Wilkinson), STOWE (H. V. Kemp and J. S. Durlacher), CHARTERHOUSE II. (A. S. C. Hulton and A. Wreford-Brown), LANCING (F. P. H. Pearse and R. W. K. Purser), byes.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

10.30 a.m.—ALDENHAM I. (J. D. Bates and P. A. A. Lewis) v. ETON III. (the Hon. C. B. N. Cockayne and W. D. Gilbey).
11 a.m.—MILL HILL II. (C. S. Drake and E. A. Wootton) v. BERKHAMSTEAD II. (H. G. Maule and C. M. Lewis).
11.30 a.m.—HIGHGATE I. (P. W. Westerby and F. R. Crane) v. HARROW III. (P. J. B. Wilson and A. G. Denison Smith).
12 noon.—ETON I. (K. F. H. Hale and A. G. Pelham) v. CHARTERHOUSE I. (H. G. Crabtree and T. F. H. Carson).
12.30 p.m.—ALDENHAM II. (M. Lampard and C. R. Moreland) v. HARROW IV. (L. A. de Pinna and D. G. Parsons Smith).
1 p.m.—HIGHGATE II. (G. P. Bray and J. W. Key) v. MILL HILL I. (J. L. Bowman and D. G. P. Leavey).
1.30 p.m.—SHREWSBURY (A. M. Scott and E. A. Barlow) v. BERKHAMSTEAD (F. A. S. Coldwell and A. I. Cameron).
2 p.m.—ETON II. (G. Cox and G. H. Sheppard) v. EMANUEL (F. H. Catron and C. Bradley).
2.30 p.m.—HARROW V. v. STOWE.
3 p.m.—DOVER (A. R. Fry and J. C. Fry) v. HARROW I. (W. M. Welch and J. M. F. Lightly).
3.30 p.m.—ALDENHAM III. (G. Mathieson and A. S. W. Sim) v. REPTON (P. W. Austin and D. H. Jaffe).
Dover, Harrow I., Aldenham III., and Repton are byes in the first round.

In both competitions matches in the first two rounds will be the best of three games, and in subsequent rounds the best of five games. Parents, friends, and Old Boys are invited to watch the matches in which their players are competing.

The draw for the Junior Handicap is given below:—

ALDENHAM I. (P. A. Humbert and H. L. Tuckey), HARROW II. (A. H. Henderson and T. E. Johnson), HIGHGATE I. (P. W. Teggia and L. J. Stack), byes.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

4 p.m.—MILL HILL II. (P. M. Johns and L. A. Duckes) v. ETON (W. N. Seymour and J. Turnbull).
4.30 p.m.—ALDENHAM II. (P. D. Spring and J. C. Field) v. HIGHGATE II. (D. F. Ball and R. S. Leach).
BERKHAMSTEAD (R. Cockerell and N. Porter), MILL HILL I. (F. P. A. Haynes and K. A. Haywood), HARROW I. (M. G. Moseley and F. J. Riddell), byes.

LAWN TENNIS

MELBURY TOURNAMENT

The final rounds of the Melbury Tournament were played on Saturday, the Singles resulting in a win for N. Sharpe over O. G. N. Turnbull by 6—2, 6—2 and Mrs. Holcroft-Watson beating Miss B. Nuthall by 6—4, 6—2.

The tournament had suffered from adverse weather all the week, but on Saturday there was so much rain that a start could not be made until late in the afternoon, and then the matches were interrupted by heavy showers. In the Women's Singles Mrs. Holcroft-Watson, who is ranked as No. 1 in England, had a see-saw match with Miss B. Nuthall, who is ranked as No. 2. Miss Nuthall drove hard, and was playing her drives well. She set up a lead of 4—1, but Mrs. Watson kept playing steadily from the base line, and as she became more accurate and powerful in her driving, she won five games running for the first set. Mrs. Watson continued to improve, and won the second set comfortably by six games to two. Miss Nuthall was then troubled by her opponent's drives, which kept low on the wet court.

In the Singles, Sharpe and Turnbull played a base-line match with many protracted rallies. The court was more slippery than ever after a further shower of rain. What volleying there was came from Sharpe, whose play has improved since last season. He is now able to take the offensive instead of waiting for his opponent to make a slip. He is hitting harder off the ground, and his volleying is more decisive. The games went with the service to two all in the first set, but then Sharpe won the next four games to take the set at 6—2. The second set was a repetition of the first, the scores being level at two games all, and Sharpe winning the next four for the set. Turnbull was able to keep the rallies going, but did not get enough pace in his ground strokes.

The results were:—

SINGLES.—FINAL ROUND.—N. Sharpe beat O. G. N. Turnbull (6—2, 6—2).

WOMEN'S SINGLES.—FINAL ROUND.—Mrs. Holcroft-Watson beat Miss B. Nuthall (6—4, 6—2).

DOUBLES.—FINAL ROUND.—N. Sharpe and W. H. A. Duff beat J. D. Morris and I. C. Maddock (6—4, 6—2).

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—FINAL ROUND.—Mrs. Holcroft-Watson and Mrs. J. B. Pittman beat Mrs. Beamish and Mrs. H. Edgington (6—2, 6—0).

MIXED DOUBLES.—SEMI-FINAL ROUND.—J. S. Olliff and Mrs. Holcroft-Watson beat N. Sharpe and Miss E. Hemmant (6—2, 5—0, retired); E. C. Peters and Mrs. J. B. Pittman beat H. K. Lester and Miss E. H. Harvey (6—3, 4—6, 6—4). FINAL ROUND.—Olliff and Mrs. Holcroft-Watson and Peters and Mrs. Pittman divided.

SURREY HARD COURT CHAMPIONSHIPS

In heavy rain and hail the Surrey Hard Court Championships were finished at Roehampton on Saturday. E. R. Avory, the Cambridge University captain, won the Singles, beating S. W. Harris in the final by two sets to none (6—2, 6—1). Avory played good all-round lawn tennis. At the net he volleyed firmly, placing well, and when Harris came up to the net his passing strokes, which were well masked, reached a high standard. The first four games of the match went against the service. In the fifth Harris, on his own service, led 40—0 and was twice advantage. Avory won that game after deuce had been called four times and, putting on the pace while his opponent was a little worried at losing a most important game, he won the next three games to 30, love, and 15. Harris won the third game in the second set and was within a point of making the games 2—2. He lost the fourth game, however, and after that Avory had the match quite safe.

Mrs. L. G. Owen beat Miss J. C. Ridley in the final of the Women's Singles by two sets to none (6—2, 8—6). The slow court did not suit Miss Ridley, and in a match played from the back of the court Mrs. Owen was more certain on her fore-hand than her opponent. Mrs. Owen led 2—1 when the rain came down and stopped play. Miss Ridley drew level with a 15 game when play was resumed, winning her own service to 15. The fifth game was long, deuce being called eight times. Mrs. Owen won the game after her opponent had been five times within a point of it, and the result of this game had a tremendous effect on the result. Mrs. Owen played very well indeed; Miss Ridley made too many mistakes, and Mrs. Owen won the next three games to love, 15, and 30. Miss Ridley won the first game of the second set, Mrs. Owen the next three. Miss Ridley took a long fifth game, which Mrs. Owen was four times within a point of winning. Mrs. Owen, quite unaffected by that game going wrong, won the next two to love and 15. She was within a point of the match in the eighth game, but Miss Ridley made a most gallant recovery and won that game and the next two to draw level at 5—5. Mrs. Owen played with wonderful nerve and concentration in the eleventh game, in which, on her service, the score was 40—0 against her and later advantage striker. She won that game eventually, but Miss Ridley drew level again. Mrs. Owen led 7—6 with a 30 game. Miss Ridley was three times within a point of the fourteenth game, but twice served double faults when advantage and finally lost the game, set, and match. Mrs. Owen is to be congratulated on a fine performance.

The results were:—

SINGLES (SURREY CHAMPIONSHIP).—FINAL ROUND.—E. R. Avory beat S. W. Harris (6—2, 6—1).

WOMEN'S SINGLES (SURREY CHAMPIONSHIP).—FINAL ROUND.—Mrs. L. G. Owen beat Miss J. C. Ridley (6—2, 8—6).

DOUBLES (SURREY CHAMPIONSHIP).—FINAL ROUND.—E. R. Avory and E. A. Dearman beat L. J. Hill and R. N. A. Leyton (6—3, 6—2).

WOMEN'S DOUBLES (SURREY CHAMPIONSHIP).—FINAL ROUND.—Mrs. R. E. Haylock and Miss E. R. Clarke beat Mrs. L. G. Owen and Miss E. M. Dearman (8—6, 6—4).

MIXED DOUBLES (SURREY CHAMPIONSHIP).—FINAL ROUND.—S. W. Harris and Miss J. C. Ridley (holders) beat E. O. Mather and Mrs. R. E. Haylock (6—8, 6—4, 6—2).

SINGLES (RESTRICTED).—FINAL ROUND.—E. G. Hughes beat M. R. Bhide (6—4, 6—3).

WOMEN'S SINGLES (RESTRICTED).—FINAL ROUND.—Miss V. M. Stephens beat Miss M. F. Cleland (6—3, 6—2).

DAVIS CUP

ATHENS, April 19.—The Davis Cup competition was opened here to-day with the match between India and Greece. Each won one singles match, Charangiva (India) beat O. Garangiotis (8—6, 1—6, 6—2, 6—4) and A. Zerlendis (Greece) beat Soni (6—3, 4—6, 7—5, 6—1).—*Reuter*.

DAVIS CUP TRIAL

An additional trial match between H. W. Austin and J. C. Gregory will be played at Queen's Club, West Kensington, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It has been ordered apparently by the Selection Committee with a view to deciding whether Austin or Gregory should play in the Singles for Great Britain against Germany in the Davis Cup-tie at the Queen's Club on April 24, 25, and 26.

HARD COURT CHAMPIONSHIPS

The draw for the Hard Court Championships of Great Britain, which will be begun at Bournemouth on Monday, April 28, has been made.

There are 32 entries for the Singles Championship, and of the four seeded players H. W. Austin, the holder, is in the first quarter, C. H. Kingsley in the second, H. G. N. Lee in the third, and J. C. Gregory in the fourth. Of the four seeded players in the Women's Singles Championship, for which there is an entry of 53, Mrs. Holcroft-Watson is in the first quarter, Miss D. E. Round in the second, Miss J. C. Ridley in the third, and Miss B. Nuthall in the fourth.

The draw is as follows:—

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—H. F. David v. F. J. Perry, Sir Leonard Lyle v. H. W. Austin (holder), I. H. Wheatcroft v. E. C. Peters, B. D. Helmore v. G. H. Pinckney, S. W. Harris v. B. Hillyard, E. T. Lamb v. C. A. Carr, C. H. Kingsley v. H. V. Edwards, J. S. Olliff v. Sir G. A. Thomas, G. H. Perkins v. W. H. A. Hunt, H. G. N. Lee v. J. W. Nuthall, A. R. Dixon v. E. L. Percival, N. Sharpe v. T. B. Barker, L. G. Owen v. W. H. Powell, Commander P. F. Glover, R.N. v. C. O. Tuckey, H. K. Lester v. R. Jenkins, J. C. Gregory v. P. H. Sidney.

WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Miss M. A. Thomas, Miss J. Morley, Miss M. G. A. Morton, Miss E. W. A. Rudd, Mrs. Holcroft-Watson, byes.

Miss G. Vaughton v. Mrs. J. B. Pittman, Miss D. Sloane Stanley v. Miss K. Smith, Mrs. A. D. Stocks v. Mrs. H. V. Edwards, Mrs. A. V. Bridge v. Miss G. R. Sterry, Miss E. Hemmant v. Miss J. Cunningham, Miss J. Sandison v. Mrs. Dudley Cox, Miss O. L. Webb v. Miss D. E. Round, Miss N. Q. Radcliffe Platt v. Mrs. L. G. Owen, Miss P. M. Radcliffe v. Miss G. Harry, Miss J. Fry v. Miss J. C. Boucher, Miss J. F. Harry v. Miss M. Cunningham, Miss D. Anderson v. Miss R. K. Hobson, Miss M. Johnstone v. Miss H. M. Barr, Miss C. Hardie v. Miss N. Lyle, Miss J. E. Stevens v. Miss J. C. Ridley, Mrs. E. S. Law v. Mrs. W. D. List, Miss B. Feltham v. Miss W. M. C. Bower, Mrs. F. M. Strawson v. Mrs. E. C. Simon, Miss K. E. Robertson v. Miss P. I. Burt, Miss M. Heeley v. Miss F. K. Scott, Mrs. C. O. Tuckey v. Miss N. Carroll.

Miss N. Trentham, Miss B. Nuthall, Miss E. H. Harvey, Miss T. Barnes, Miss F. James, and Mrs. B. Hillyard, byes.

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—J. C. Gregory and C. H. Kingsley, L. G. Owen and J. W. Nuthall, H. K. Lester and E. C. Peters, C. A. Carr and R. Jenkins, A. Wallis Myers and B. Hillyard, C. G. Eames and I. H. Wheatcroft, Sir Leonard Lyle and A. D. Prebble byes.

G. H. Pinckney and W. H. A. Hunt v. H. F. David and S. W. Harris, T. B. Barker and G. H. Perkins v. H. G. N. Lee and F. J. Perry.

H. V. Edwards and P. H. Sidney, W. H. Powell and N. Sharpe, Commander P. F. Glover, R.N., and E. T. Lamb, Lieutenant-Colonel A. C. Butt and A. R. Dixon, H. W. Austin and J. S. Olliff, Sir G. A. Thomas and C. O. Tuckey, and E. L. Percival and B. D. Helmore byes.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Mrs. C. O. Tuckey and Miss B. Feltham, Miss J. Fry and Miss E. H. Harvey, Mrs. F. M. Strawson and Miss E. Hemmant byes.

Miss J. Cunningham and Miss G. Vaughton v. Miss J. Morley and Miss E. W. A. Rudd, Miss D. Anderson and Miss W. M. C. Bower v. Miss M. G. A. Morton and Miss D. Sloane Stanley, Mrs. Dudley Cox and Miss M. Johnstone v. Miss D. E. Round and Miss N. Trentham, Mrs. H. V. Edwards and Mrs. A. D. Stocks v. Mrs. E. C. Simon and Miss J. O. Sandison, Miss N. Carroll and Miss M. Cunningham v. Miss J. C. Boucher and Miss E. M. T. Howes, Miss F. James and Miss O. L. Webb v. Miss N. Q. Radcliffe Platt and Miss P. M. Radcliffe, Miss C. Hardie and Miss M. A. Thomas v. Mrs. W. D. List and Miss N. Lyle, Mrs. J. B. Pittman and Miss J. C. Ridley (holders) v. Mrs. A. V. Bridge and Mrs. L. G. Owen, Miss G. Harry and Miss J. F. Harry v. Miss H. M. Barr and Miss P. I. Burt, Miss K. E. Robertson and Miss F. K. Scott v. Miss M. Heeley and Miss G. R. Sterry.

Miss R. K. Hobson and Miss K. Smith, Mrs. E. S. Law and Miss J. E. Stevens, and Mrs. L. A. Godfree and Mrs. Holcroft-Watson byes.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—J. C. Gregory and Mrs. L. A. Godfree, E. C. Peters and Miss E. Hemmant, A. D. Prebble and Miss N. Lyle, H. F. David and Miss D. E. Round, E. T. Lamb and Miss D. Sloane Stanley, C. A. Carr and Miss M. G. A. Morton, W. H. A. Hunt and Mrs. W. D. List, I. H. Wheatcroft and Miss C. Hardie, S. W. Harris and Miss J. C. Ridley, S. E. Youdale and Miss M. A. Thomas, B. D. Helmore and Miss J. E. Stevens, R. Jenkins and Miss M. D. Scholes, C. O. Tuckey and Mrs. Tuckey, J. S. Olliff and Mrs. Holcroft-Watson, F. J. Perry and Miss M. Heeley byes.

H. G. N. Lee and Mrs. L. G. Owen v. G. H. Pinckney and Miss M. Johnstone.

Sir Leonard Lyle and Mrs. F. M. Strawson, Commander P. F. Glover, R.N., and Miss J. Sandison, H. K. Lester and Mrs. J. B. Pittman, E. L. Percival and Miss K. Smith, C. G. Eames and Miss E. H. Harvey, P. H. Sidney and Miss O. L. Webb, Sir G. A. Thomas and Miss G. R. Sterry, N. Sharpe and Miss N. Trentham, A. R. Dixon and Miss J. C. Boucher, B. Hillyard and Mrs. Hillyard, H. V. Edwards and Mrs. Edwards, Lieutenant-Colonel A. C. Butt and Miss J. Cunningham, L. G. Owen and Miss D. Anderson, T. B. Barker and Miss B. Feltham, G. H. Perkins and Mrs. A. V. Bridge, and C. H. Kingsley and Miss J. Fry byes.

WIGHTMAN CUP TEAM

BROOKLINE, MASS., April 18.—Miss Mary Greef, of Kansas City, a student of the University of California, was to-day selected as the fifth and final member of the Wightman Cup team. The other members are Mrs. Moody, Miss Helen Jacobs and Miss Edith Cross (California), and Miss Sarah Palfrey (Brookline).—*Reuter*.

SOUTH AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

BLOEMFONTEIN, April 19.—In the semi-final round of the South African Lawn Tennis Championships Miss R. Tapscott beat Miss D. Cole (1—6, 6—3, 7—5), and Mrs. Everett beat Miss E. L. Heine (holder) (3—6, 8—6, 6—1) in the Women's Singles. In the Singles L. Raymond beat G. Eaglestone (6—2, 6—4, 6—3), and C. J. Robbins beat J. Congdon (8—6, 2—6, 6—3, 1—6, 6—2).—*Reuter*.

BRISTOL CLUB TOURNAMENT

BEAULIEU, April 19.—Miss Helen Jacobs will play Mrs. Satterthwaite in the Women's Singles final of the Bristol Club's tournament. She beat Mlle. Sigart (6—1, 6—2), while Mrs. Satterthwaite beat Miss Ryan by default. W. T. Tilden beat R. Gallepe (6—0, 6—0, 6—0) in the semi-final round of the Singles. In the Doubles semi-final round Tilden and W. Coen beat Dr. Ham and C. F. Aeschlimann (3—6, 6—2, 6—3, 6—4), and Mrs. Satterthwaite and Mlle. Sigart beat Mlle. Beliard and Mme. Korwickova (6—1, 6—0) in the Women's Doubles.—*Reuter*.

U.S. NORTH AND SOUTH TOURNAMENT

PINEHURST (NORTH CAROLINA), April 19.—J. Doeg and G. Mangin reached the final of the North and South Lawn Tennis Tournament here yesterday. In the semi-final round Doeg beat Berkely Bell (8—6, 6—3, 6—4) and Mangin beat Emmett Pare (4—6, 1—6, 6—3, 6—3, 6—4).—*Reuter*.

R. LACOSTE NOT TO PLAY THIS YEAR

PARIS, April 20.—According to to-day's *Auto*, R. Lacoste will not play for France in the Davis Cup matches this year.—*Reuter*.

WEST SIDE TOURNAMENT

There is a strong entry for the West Side Country Club tournament at Ealing this week. Among those competing will be Mrs. Holcroft-Watson, Miss B. Nuthall, Miss D. E. Round, Mrs. Fearnley Whittingstall, Miss M. Heeley, Miss J. Fry, Mrs. L. G. Owen, Miss G. R. Sterry, Mrs. R. Lycett, Miss V. H. Montgomery, P. D. B. Spence, J. S. Olliff, F. J. Perry, S. W. Harris, J. W. Nuthall, and P. Aitken.

Miss J. Sandison, from India, has entered for the North London Hard Courts Tournament, which will be begun at Highbury to-day.

An exhibition match between P. D. B. Spence and Miss B. Nuthall and C. H. Kingsley and Mrs. Fearnley Whittingstall will be played after the Davis Cup doubles match at Queen's Club on Friday.

SPEEDWAY RACING

OPENING OF THE SEASON

Speedway racing, which proved such a popular attraction to large crowds on summer evenings last year, was begun again during the week-end, when there were a number of opening meetings on several of the tracks. The first matches in the Southern League, which had so remarkable a success last summer, will be held to-day, when Coventry and Leicester will meet one another twice during the course of the day, at Coventry in the afternoon and at Leicester in the evening.

Speedway racing is undoubtedly a thrilling form of sport, and it has already won for itself a large band of followers. It is carried on under the auspices of the Auto-Cycle Union, who have made it their object to keep it a real sport and to increase its attractiveness for the public. No betting is allowed at any of the grounds where the sport goes on. Its attraction for the public lies wholly in the individual contests between the riders and the team matches between the representatives of the several clubs. These matches are arranged between teams of six riders and there are nine races in each match, with four starters, two from each team, in each race, and the starters are so arranged that each member of one team races against each member of the other team in turn. The races are from a rolling start over four laps. When speedway racing was started many of the riders were Australians, as the sport has flourished in that country for some years, but there are now a large number of riders of this country who have been trained and brought out here.

Last year the championship of the Southern League, which comprises teams from London and places as far apart as Southampton and Nottingham, was won by the Stamford Bridge team, who won 17 of their 20 matches and finished with a total of 34 points against 32 for Southampton, their nearest rivals. Two points are awarded to a team winning the match, one for a draw and none for a defeat. In the individual races the winner scores 3 points, the second 2, and the third, 1. Last year Stamford Bridge scored 767 points against 408 for their opponents and Southampton gained 672 against 501. The number of teams in the League this year has been increased to 14. White City has dropped out and the new teams are Hall Green, High Beech, Leicester, and Nottingham. The League is thus composed of the following teams:—

Coventry, Crystal Palace, Hall Green, Harringay, High Beech, Lea Bridge, Leicester, Nottingham, Perry Barr, Southampton, Stamford Bridge, Wembley, West Ham, and Wimbledon.

The following are the days and times of the meetings at the various tracks:—

Team	Day	Time	First Meeting
Coventry	Thursday	7.45	April 21
Crystal Palace	Saturday	7.0*	May 3
Hall Green	Friday	8.0	April 25
Harringay	Saturday	8.0	April 26
High Beech	Saturday	3.30	May 3
Lea Bridge	Wednesday	8.0	April 30
Leicester	Thursday	7.30	April 21
Nottingham	Thursday	7.30	April 24
Perry Barr	Wednesday	7.45	May 7
Southampton	Wednesday	7.45	April 23
Stamford Bridge	Wednesday	8.0	May 14
Wembley	Thursday	8.0	May 8
West Ham	Tuesday	8.0	April 22
Wimbledon	Monday	8.0	April 28

* 3.30 after July.

Additional meetings are held at the various tracks on holidays, and at Lea Bridge, Southampton, and Stamford Bridge on Saturdays and at West Ham on Fridays.

The following meetings have been arranged for to-day:—

HIGH BEECH, 11 and 3.30.
COVENTRY (League: Coventry v. Leicester Stadium), 2.30.
CRYSTAL PALACE, 2.30.
WEST HAM, 3.
WIMBLEDON, 3.
LEICESTER (League: Leicester v. Coventry), 7.30.
LEA BRIDGE, 8.
SOUTHAMPTON, 8.
STAMFORD BRIDGE, 8.15.

AMERICAN BASEBALL RESULTS

NEW YORK, April 18.—The results of the baseball matches played in America yesterday were:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE.—Cincinnati 1, Pittsburgh 7; St. Louis 0, Chicago 3.

Through rain the matches between New York and Boston, Brooklyn and Philadelphia were postponed.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.—Detroit 6, St. Louis 11; Chicago 8, Cleveland 7.

The matches between Philadelphia and New York, Boston and Washington were postponed.—*Reuter*.

DEATH OF CUMBERLAND SPORTSMAN

Mr. Joseph Timperon, Cumberland's oldest and most versatile sportsman, died at Silloth at the age of 93. He was president of the Silloth Rugby Club, was a keen huntsman and one of the best game and pigeon shots in Great Britain.

Sporting News

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GOLF

FOILED AGAIN

(FROM OUR GOLF CORRESPONDENT)

Here is a little story of some interest, I hope, to students of human nature. It has lately been told to me and I have every reason to believe it true. Whether it illustrates the arrogance and ruthlessness of young tigers or the perverseness and futility of old gentlemen I leave to others to determine.

No number of wild horses will drag from me the name of the golf course in question, because the people who told me the story might get into trouble. Let it be sufficient to say that the course is rightly one of the most famous in the world. It is exceedingly difficult, and in wintry weather at any rate it is also exceedingly long. This fact did not escape the eagle eyes of the old gentlemen; they moaned and they groaned and they grumbled; they said, with perfect justice from their point of view, that the holes were so long they kept on driving and driving and never got up. The insolent young tigers—of 40 or so—on the committee not only expressed but felt much sympathy; their sympathy was the keener from having sometimes played behind the old gentlemen in a cold east wind. They therefore devised two sets of tees; at the forward tees they placed one tee box and at the back tees two boxes. They thought they had done the thing handsomely, the more so because a tee box is to-day little more than a symbol, everybody uses tees that look like collar studs, except that they have heads of many colours, and sand is to all intents and purposes atrophied. The results were disappointing. Were the old gentlemen grateful? Far from it. They were not going to be fobbed off with a single tee box; they paid their subscriptions and they were going to have two; besides those forward tees looked suspiciously like ladies' tees and threw a doubt on the virility of their driving. They went back to the two tee boxes, their progress round the course was as slow and as bunkerous as before, and the frozen tigers did cabman's exercise behind them as they waited with superfluous caution to play their fourth successive brassy shot up to the pin.

So the tigers took counsel together, and one dark starless night they went out and reversed the order of things. Next morning there were two tee boxes in front and only one behind. Yet even this device, at once so simple and so subtle, failed. The old gentlemen were up to every move of the game; they might be too short and the course might be too long; it was indeed monstrously and scandalously long, but they were not going to be insulted. Once again the black-vizarded tigers met in secret conclave, having by now humbly to admit that they had underrated the intelligence of the old gentlemen. This time they left the two tee boxes in front but the single box vanished, and in its place there appeared two inconspicuous little disks. "Hurrah," shouted the tigers, "the old gentlemen are so blind that they will never see the disks," and that is the story so far as it has gone or as I know it.

I seem to remember a Greek verb, irregular in its conduct to the point of impropriety, which meant "to escape notice." Up till now the disks have escaped the old gentlemen's notice. They would certainly have escaped mine if they had not been pointed out to me by covert signs. I walked instinctively to the two tee boxes and was about to tee my ball when I observed some persons standing casually on a patch of grass some 20 yards behind who appeared to be on the point of hitting straight through me. I was about to wither them with an indignant glance when my host explained to me, in the hushed voice of a conspirator, that they were playing from the back tees, and that their turn came before ours. We ourselves once or twice in the course of the round retired to the disks with stealthy steps, when we had the wind behind us, and we were not, so far as I could see, detected by any aged malcontents; but it is hard to believe that this blissful state of things will continue. As the poet says:—

Our little systems have their day;
They have their day and cease to be.

Sooner or later some old gentleman of peculiar astuteness will find it all out and then the tigers will have to invent another system.

Why should these ingenious stratagems be necessary? Why in the world should we want to drive from back tees when we might be not only gaining more pleasure, but playing the part of good citizens, by driving from forward ones? The back tees poison our lives, give us a series of dreary 5's and rob us of the fun of essaying carries over cross bunkers. Let me appeal to one of the basest instincts implanted by some mysterious dispensation of providence in the golfing breast—namely, bogey-worship. We might do lots of holes "in bogey" if we played off the front tees. Then what is it that prevents us? "Pride, old fellow, pride," as Mr. Alfred Jingle said to Mr. Nupkins. It is presumably the same sentiment that makes us run like hares upon the mountain, when we might let those hustling, bustling creatures behind come through and enjoy our game with leisure and dignity like golfers and gentlemen. As Johnson would allow no one to abuse Garrick but himself, so we almost ostentatiously proclaim ourselves short drivers, but nobody else may as much as breathe a hint of it. It must surely be that the tigers do not go the right way to work. They try to dragoon and browbeat us instead of conveying to us by flattery that to drive from the invisible disks is a confession of weakness. Meanwhile, pending a settlement, no one is happy, for the old gentlemen break their backs and the tigers break their hearts behind them. You can take a rabbit to the forward tees but you can't make him drive.

At the Portmadoc Club's Easter open meeting on Saturday, A. Douglas won the bogey competition with a return of two down. The women's competition was won by Mrs. Paton (Shrewsbury) with a return of 4 down.

SPORTING ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY

RACING.—Kempton Park (1.30); Manchester (2.30); Newcastle (2.15); Birmingham (2.0). Eridge *bona fide* Hunt races (Eridge).

RUGBY FOOTBALL.—See Fixture List.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.—See Fixture List.

LAWN TENNIS.—West Side (Ealing), North London, South Croydon Tournaments. Davis Cup Trial, Queen's Club (3.0).

YACHTING.—Royal Corinthian Y.C., Royal Burnham Y.C. and Crouch Y.C. at Burnham; Sailing meets—Royal Canoe Clubs at Teddington, Upper Thames S.C. at Bourne End.

SPEEDWAY RACING.—See Fixture List.

CYCLING.—Herne Hill—Madison Race (2.30).

ETON FIVES.—Schools' Handicap.

HOCKEY.—Scarborough, Folkestone, Weston-super-Mare, Bournemouth, Lowestoft, Teddington, Bridlington, Tynemouth, Llandudno, and Prestatyn Festivals.

POINT-TO-POINT RACES.—Essex Farmers (Stow-Maries Aerodrome), Vine (Fordoun), Major Smith-Bosanquet's Middlesex Yeomanry (Kimble, near Aylesbury), North Shropshire (Eyton-on-Severn), North Cotswold (Springhill Broadway), Eggesford (Eggesford), East Kent (Smeeth).

MOTOR RACING.—Easter Bank Holiday Meeting, Brooklands (1.0).

ROYAL ST. GEORGE'S

SIDGWICK CUP

The Easter Meeting of the Royal St. George's Club was begun during the week-end with the competition for the Sidgwick Foursomes under handicap. Now as a result of the two days' play W. L. Hartley and R. H. Marriott (1); E. Martin Smith and P. C. Quilter (2); Lord Charles Hope and Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Alastair Innes-Ker (3); and N. J. Holloway and P. Stanley May (5) have qualified for the semi-final round.

The first two rounds were played in anything but spring weather, a cold north-easterly wind and frequent showers making conditions as trying as the most rigorous golfers could desire. In the first round there were two surprises, Major S. K. Thorburn and E. R. Campbell (+1) and D. Grant and F. A. Work (scratch)—the latter a redoubtable couple—both being beaten by Lieutenant-Colonel J. Crookenden and C. E. Murphy (9) and K. W. Newall and E. R. C. Booth (5) respectively. Hartley and Marriott had a desperate encounter with H. G. Sicklemore and B. E. Figgis (9), which ended in their favour only on the 19th green, exactly the same result as occurred in the match between Martin-Smith and Quilter and J. Goddard and J. Marshall Thomson (3). Hope and Innes-Ker also had a close match before beating Lord Winchelsea and J. B. Pease (2) on the 17th green. In the second round Hartley and Marriott won as they liked from Colonel R. E. Myddelton, the captain, and Major G. Cornwallis-West (8). Martin-Smith and Quilter were too good for Major G. F. Mappin and G. S. Hughes (3), Hope and Innes-Ker just got home from A. D. Erskine and C. A. Wrench (14), and Holloway and May gained a hollow victory over Brigadier-General R. C. Haig and Major E. C. M. Flint (5). Besides these there were some interesting matches. Captain T. L. Wall and Captain C. R. Jorgensen (13) beat W. G. Martin Thomson and C. J. Bolton (3) at the 19th hole; the Hon. Michael Scott and Gilbert Elliot, an ex-captain (2), A. V. Hambro, another former captain, and Lieutenant-Colonel J. T. C. Moore Brabazon (1), and C. F. Whigham and Robert Harris (1) all had easy passages, but Major Sir G. Palmer and W. L. Steele (3) had to go to the last hole before beating A. H. Read and R. P. Bendall (1) by a putt on the home green.

In the third round most of the matches were won easily. Hartley and Marriott went on their way rejoicing, their victims being Michael Scott and Gilbert Elliot. Sir G. Palmer and Steele received a walk-over from Whigham and Robert Harris, Whigham having had to leave suddenly owing to illness in the family. The remaining matches were closer; in the first Martin-Smith and Quilter beating Hambro and Moore-Brabazon on the 16th green—in this case the nephew having scant respect for an illustrious uncle—F. D. Cautley, the husband of a former Sussex lady champion, and N. E. Stainton (7) beating H. R. Shurey and Colonel L. W. Rolleston on equal terms by two and one, and Hope and Innes-Ker beating F. Barlow and R. van der Woude (8) by three and two. Then came the fourth round, and that produced one great and long-drawn-out struggle and another desperately close match.

In the first two of the four matches Hartley and Marriott and Martin-Smith and Quilter had no difficulty in winning, but in the third Hope and Innes-Ker had some uneasy moments before disposing of Palmer and Steele on the home green. They were two up at the 11th hole, where they got a fine 3. At the 12th they were on the edge of the green in 2. Palmer was in the guarding bunker in 2. It looked like being three up. Then Palmer played a fine shot out on to the green and Steele, to his eternal credit, holed the long putt. The hole immediately looked very small to Hope—he hit his putt 8ft. past. Innes-Ker failed to get the next down, and one up instead of three up put a very different complexion on the proceedings. The Canal Hole, however, was the decisive point in the match. There Palmer and Steele were twice out of bounds, and eventually Hope and Innes-Ker were dormy three. Then they gave their opponents two loopholes, for they were bunkered at the 16th and 17th. Palmer and Steele made full use of these opportunities, won both holes, and were only one down with the home hole to play. Could they square the match? Hope and Innes-Ker answered the question promptly, for they made no further mistake and got the half necessary for victory.

It was the last match that afforded the real thrill of the meeting so far. In it Grant and Attenborough fought a rare uphill battle against Holloway and May. They were three down with five holes played, but after that made few mistakes, and had pegged their opponents back to one up on the 18th tee. The home hole they won courageously in 4, and out they all went again with such spectators as still remained. The 19th was well halved in 4, so was the 20th, but the end came at the 21st. There Holloway hit a magnificent drive over the intervening sandy wastes, the ball finished 10ft. from the pin, and all was over.

The results were:—

THIRD ROUND

F. S. A. Baker and A. R. Cook (4) beat Captain T. L. Wall and Captain C. R. Jorgensen (13) by 6 and 4.
W. L. Hartley and R. H. Marriott (1) beat the Hon. M. Scott and G. C. Elliott (2) by 6 and 5.
E. Martin Smith and P. C. Quilter (2) beat A. V. Hambro and Lieutenant-Colonel J. T. C. Moore Brabazon (1) by 3 and 2.
F. D. Cautley and N. E. Stainton (7) beat H. R. Shurey and Colonel L. W. Rolleston (7) by 2 and 1.
Lord Charles Hope and Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Alastair Innes Ker (3) beat F. Barlow and R. Van der Woude (8) by 3 and 2.
Major Sir G. F. N. Palmer and W. L. Steele (3) walked over R. Harris and C. F. Whigham (1) scratched.
N. J. Holloway and P. Stanley May (5) beat Lieutenant-Colonel J. Crookenden and Dr. C. E. Murphy (9) by 6 and 5.
L. Grant, junr., and Colonel J. Attenborough (5) beat F. B. Whately and R. G. Williams (3) by 4 and 3.

FOURTH ROUND

Hartley and Marriott beat Baker and Cook by 5 and 3.
Martin Smith and Quilter beat Cautley and Stainton by 5 and 4.
Hope and Innes Ker beat Palmer and Steele by 1 hole.
Holloway and May beat Grant, junr. and Attenborough at the 21st hole.

LORD BRASSEY CUP

G. E. V. Crutchley won the Lord Brassey Cup over the links of the Royal Cinque Ports Club at Deal yesterday when he beat W. T. Sanctuary after a tremendous struggle at the 21st hole. Both players have handicaps of 7. L. O. Munn, playing from +1 reached the semi-final round, but just could not give the strokes to Sanctuary, who won on the 17th green.

The results were:—

THIRD ROUND

J. V. Hitchcock (11) beat W. Bell (12) by 4 and 3.
G. Simpson (2) beat Carol Powers (3) by one hole.
G. E. V. Crutchley (7) beat A. J. Corrigan (12) by one hole.
J. L. de la Cour (9) beat M. W. Bovill (9) by two holes.
L. O. Munn (+1) beat H. J. Pearson (15) by 2 and 1.
L. U. Hubble (9) beat S. V. Denne (5) by 4 and 3.
A. R. Denne (11) beat G. A. Usher (4) at the 19th hole.
W. T. Sanctuary (7) beat Captain S. G. Fairbairn (1) by 2 and 1.

FOURTH ROUND

Hitchcock beat Simpson by 6 and 4.
Crutchley beat de la Cour by 5 and 4.
Munn beat Hubble by 2 and 1.
Sanctuary beat Denne by one hole.

SEMI-FINAL ROUND

Crutchley beat Hitchcock by 5 and 4.
Sanctuary beat Munn by 2 and 1.

FINAL ROUND

Crutchley beat Sanctuary at the 21st hole.

ST. GEORGE'S HILL WIN

St. George's Hill beat the Royal Navy and Royal Marines Golfing Society at Weybridge on Saturday by six matches to four on the day's play.

The results were:—

FOURSOMES

St. George's Hill		R.N. and R.M.	
D. B. Anderson and C. Shankland (halved)	0	Lieutenant-Commander A. McMaster and Lieutenant-Commander H. McMaster (halved)	0
G. G. Kirke and A. Raworth (halved)	0	Sub-Lieutenant S. G. Turnbull and Lieutenant-Commander H. Harrison (halved)	0
J. S. Youle and R. S. Stroyan (2 and 1)	1	Engineer Commander C. J. Mackenzie and Instructor Lieutenant-Commander Akhurst	0
E. L. Stevenson and Major Williamson (3 and 2)	1	Commander J. Scott and Lieutenant-Commander H. J. T. Southgate	0
Total	2	Total	0

SINGLES

C. Shankland (5 and 3)	1	Lieutenant-Commander H. McMaster	0
G. G. Kirke (6 and 4)	1	Lieutenant-Commander A. McMaster	0
A. Raworth	0	Sub-Lieutenant Turnbull (1 hole)	1
J. S. Youle	0	Lieutenant-Commander Harrison (5 and 3)	1
H. Trevor Jones	0	Engineer Commander Mackenzie (4 and 3)	1
R. S. Stroyan	0	Instructor Lieutenant-Commander Akhurst (5 and 4)	1
E. L. Stevenson (6 and 4)	1	Commander Southgate	0
Major Williamson (1 hole)	1	Commander Scott	0
Total	4	Total	4

EASTER MEETINGS

NORTH FORELAND

The annual Easter Holiday Tournament for the Victory Cup was begun at North Foreland on Saturday, when a medal round was held to qualify 16 players for each of two sections of the match-play competition. Two members of the home club competing in the Senior Section, G. D. Elphick and B. J. Henry, both eight handicap players, had net scores of 70.

The first round of the match-play competition in each section was decided yesterday, when the results were:—

SENIOR DIVISION
FIRST ROUND

P. L. Hardman (3) beat Dr. G. F. Rigden (10) by 3 and 2.
G. D. Elphick (8) beat R. V. McVittie (12) by 3 and 2.
F. A. Odell (9) beat R. Woolf (5) by 4 and 3.
F. W. Fishwick (12) beat H. Huggett (10) at the 21st hole.
Dr. A. Scott (4) beat B. J. Henry (8) by 3 and 2.
E. G. V. Clark (5) beat F. E. Cutler-Jones (5) by 2 and 1.
J. H. Lawson (7) beat L. W. Farrow (9) by 2 and 1.
V. B. Twiss (12) beat W. A. Pike (12) by 2 and 1.

JUNIOR DIVISION
FIRST ROUND

E. N. Furse (13) beat J. W. Wilson (15) by 2 and 1.
R. Woolsey (13) beat W. J. Adlington (18) by 4 and 3.
W. E. P. Moon (13) beat Captain W. J. T. Saunders (14) by 4 and 3.
H. W. Chadwick (15) beat Dr. A. Duffy (18) by 3 and 2.
J. Rosenberg (15) beat R. B. Smith (14) by 7 and 6.
E. B. Woodford (14) w.o. Mrs. Duffy scratched.
H. R. Tilley (16) beat F. Hawkins (13) by 7 and 6.
F. H. Wood (16) beat Colonel Fenton (16) by 2 and 1.

ARMY G.S. BEATEN

Prince's Club beat the Army Golfing Society in a match by Foursomes at Prince's by five matches to three.

The results were:—

MORNING

Prince's		Army G.S.	
D. S. Hughes and Major E. Toye (7 and 5)	1	Lieutenant J. King and Captain Hay Robinson	0
R. N. Bourn and G. A. C. Druce (5 and 4)	1	Lieutenant-Colonel H. S. Poyntz and Captain W. Houldsworth	0
F. L. T. Barlow and A. Farquhar (halved)	0	Captain L. H. Methuen and J. W. Mackenzie (halved)	0
Captain A. Wakefield-Saunders and D. C. Moore-Brabazon (1 hole)	1	Major J. A. L. Wilson and J. Robertson	0
H. A. Pallant and Captain W. C. Napier	0	Lieutenant-Colonel G. A. McL. Sceales and Captain Sir E. Ward (3 and 2)	1
Total	3	Total	1

AFTERNOON

Wakefield-Saunders and Moore-Brabazon	0	Hay Robinson and King (6 and 5)	1
Hughes and Toye (1 hole)	1	Poyntz and Houldsworth	0
Bourn and Druce (halved)	0	Methuen and Mackenzie (halved)	0
Pallant and Napier	0	Wilson and Robertson (3 and 1)	1
Barlow and Farquhar (6 and 4)	1	Sceales and Ward	0
Total	2	Total	2

GULLANE SPRING MEETING

There was a record muster of over 100 competitors at the Gullane spring meeting over the No. 1 Course on Saturday when a boisterous north-easterly wind was blowing. J. C. Rose was the winner of the Bloxsom Scratch Trophy with 80, which was really an excellent score under the conditions. The next best scratch scores were:—J. H. Carmichael, 83; D. A. Guild, 84; W. M. Berrie, 84; and S. Forsyth, 84. The Rev. M. C. Mackenzie won the handicap prize with 95—18=77.

SURREY LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP

Three days will be occupied by the Surrey Ladies' County G.A. in deciding their championship at West Surrey, Enton Green, a medal round to qualify 16 players being played on Tuesday, April 29, followed by the match play competition on Wednesday and Friday, April 30 and May 2. There will be several minor events held during the period, the chief of those being the competition for the Helme Challenge Shield to be won by the club whose players return the best four net scores. The meeting is open to the Silver Division of the association (handicaps scratch to 18).

CAPE TOWN, Saturday.—S. F. Brews regained the South African Open Golf Championship at East London to-day with an aggregate of 297 for 72 holes. J. Brews, his brother, occupied second position with a score of 308.—*Reuter.*

In a first round match in connexion with the "Thornton" Cup, West Essex beat Woodford over the latter club's course on Saturday by nine matches to three.

D. W. Price, with a return of one down, won the bogey competition for the Club Prize at the Easter open meeting at Criccieth on Saturday.

In a match over the Effingham Manor Club's course the home club beat Bramley by nine matches to three.

CLUB COMPETITIONS

(Figures in parentheses denote scratch score)

BEXHILL (73).—Monthly Medal.—Scratch.—E. R. Ilott, 72. Senior.—Major J. F. O'Malley, 76—6=70. Junior.—J. R. Turner, 89—13=76.

BISHOP'S STORTFORD (77).—Chigwellian Cup.—R. P. Hawkey, 90—7=83; W. London, 97—13=84; J. May, 90—6=84. Final Bogey.—H. R. Moore, 4 down.

BOGNOR (75).—Open Medal.—Friday.—Malcolm L. Smith, 90—12=78. Open Medal.—Saturday.—B. H. Darling, 86—9=77.

BRAMLEY (75).—Monthly Bogey.—Senior.—H. I. Willis (7), 2 down; A. S. Highlett (8), 7 down. Junior.—R. Collier (14), 1 up; R. S. Rees (18), 1 down.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE (74).—Easter Competition. Class 1.—A. R. Kenyon-Stow (6), all square. Class 2.—R. G. Lercott (5), 1 down. Class 3.—A. R. Ferguson (11), 2 down.

BURNHAM BEECHES (76).—Gold Medal.—J. S. Butchart, 84—9=75. Silver Medal.—R. P. Fahey, 86—10=76.

BUSH HILL PARK (67).—Bogey Competition.—Senior.—J. Rochford (9), 2 up. Junior.—R. Hodson (16), 2 up.

CAMBERLEY HEATH (76).—Monthly Medal.—Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. E. Sargent, 77—4=73; Dr. D. S. Gordon, 77—2=75; Captain D. C. Bullen-Smith, 81—6=75.

CHIGWELL (77).—Monthly Bogey.—Senior.—K. F. Alder (7), 2 down. Junior.—E. Cunningham (16), 5 down.

COODEN BEACH (75).—Spring Meeting.—Percy Richardson Cup.—Dr. W. A. Troup (9), 4 up; J. C. Grumbar (19), 2 up. Mixed Foursomes.—Captain and Mrs. A. D. Broughton, 86—4½=81½; Miss Hemming and J. E. Young, 103—19=84.

COOMBE HILL (76).—Easter Competition.—Medal.—H. L. Hendriks, 77—3=74.

COPTHORNE (70).—Monthly Medal.—Senior.—E. H. Caswell, 75—5=70. Junior.—F. Boyle Monkman, 87—15=72. Flag Competition.—T. J. Morris (11), at the 16th hole.

CULVERDEN (TUNBRIDGE WELLS) (66).—Open Competition.—Dr. F. C. Linton, 73—8=65; H. L. Dyer, 79—14=65; J. F. Pennink, 72—5=67; T. E. F. Butler, 83—16=67.

EALING (73).—Good Friday Competition.—Greensomes (Bogey).—H. B. Randolph and T. H. Ball (4); W. H. Porter and G. Marsh (6); Harvey Butler and Dr. Selby (9) and H. R. Packerton and E. N. A[illegible] (12) tied at 4 down. Monthly Bogey.—Saturday.—1st Division.—L. S. Dawe (7), 1 up. 2nd Division.—A. H. Bahn (16) and A. G. Buckingham (18) tied at 6 down.

EAST BERKS (75).—Monthly Medal.—Major A. G. Heales, 81—4=77.

EAST DEVON (74).—Monthly Bogey and Coronation Cup.—Major W. Meldon (11), 2 down; Dr. Roome (3), 3 down; H. W. Adie (5), 4 down.

DENHAM (76).—Monthly Bogey.—T. H. Just (14), 2 down.

FLACKWELL HEATH (73).—Monthly Bogey.—Senior.—R. Jennison (3), all square. Junior.—H. G. Parker (14), 8 down.

HADLEY WOOD (77).—Canada Cup (36 holes bogey).—G. W. Cranfield (scr.), 6 down; Dr. E. T. McElligott (10), 7 down; P. C. B. Berisford (4), 8 down; G. A. Campbell (16), 8 down; F. G. M. Bebb (10), 9 down. Monthly Bogey.—Senior.—Dr. E. T. McElligott (10), 1 down. Junior.—G. A. Campbell (16), 4 down.

HAREWOOD DOWNS (73).—Junior Challenge Cup.—Captain V. A. Lawford, 95—21=74; R. C. Bluhm, 86—10=76.

HARTSBOURNE MANOR (77).—Monthly Bogey.—Dr. F. G. Nicholas (10), 3 down; D. V. House (6), 4 down.

HASTINGS (73).—Monthly Bogey.—Senior.—R. S. Jones (6), 1 down. Junior.—L. A. Blackman (15), 2 down, and A. G. Evershed (14), 2 down, tied.

HAYLING (74).—Houldsworth Shield.—M. Turner, 85—12=73. Bogey Foursomes.—Captain Zambra and R. Arnold, 2 down, and E. Thurgood and C. Cranton, 2 down, tied.

HERNE BAY (74).—Easter Cup.—L. W. Siddens (Sudbury), 81—12=69; H. R. Little, 72—1=71.

IFIELD (76).—Medal.—E. H. Furber, 77—3=74.

LEASOWE (74).—Captain's Prize (second qualifying round).—A. H. Boots, 90—7=83; Dr. C. L. Forde, 89—4=85; H. V. Armstrong, 100—15=85; F. Bendall, 103—18=85.

LITTLEHAMPTON (74).—Bogey Competition.—F. Towell (17), all square; G. Johnson (15), 1 down.

LITTLESTONE (76).—Ladies' Bogey Competition.—Mrs. J. D. Bell and Mrs. C. Romer tied at 3 down.

MANNINGS HEATH (73).—Captain's Prize.—Major R. C. G. Middleton (6), 1 up. Latilla Cup (semi-final).—C. H. G. Hill (3) beat G. H. Lintott (scr.) by 7 and 6; J. W. C. Agate (6) beat J. I. Eager (14) by 4 and 3.

NORTH SURREY (71).—Monthly Bogey.—P. M. Walsh (4), 1 up.

NORTHWICK PARK (78).—Easter Competition.—Four-ball Bogey.—J. Clayton (3) and H. C. Fuller (18), 2 up, and R. C. D. Riddell (+1) and W. B. Kincaid (18), 2 up, tied. Bogey.—R. G. D. Riddell (+1), 2 down; J. Clayton (3), 3 down.

NORTHWOOD (73).—Monthly Medal.—C. L. Brand, 71—2=69. Junior.—B. W. Steel, 91—12=79.

OXHEY (79).—Good Friday Eclectic Competition.—T. C. Jameson Evans, 72—4=68; M. J. Darke, 75—1=74.

PORTERS PARK (77).—Shenley Challenge Cup.—R. E. A. Bott (1), 2 up.

POTTERS BAR (75).—Flag Competition.—A. V. Davies (10), finished on the 18th fairway.

REDHILL AND REIGATE (72).—Monthly Bogey.—Senior.—R. C. Taylor (2), R. W. H. Taylor (3), C. H. Middleton (6), and O. Ive (11), tied. Junior.—A. M. Coppin (14), 1 down.

REIGATE HEATH (73).—Monthly Medal.—B. Monier-Williams, 84—11=73.

ROCHESTER AND COBHAM PARK (77).—Silver Iron Final.—D. S. Robins (6) beat J. R. Stickland (scr.) by 3 and 2.

ROYAL ASHDOWN FOREST (75).—Oakfield Bowl.—R. E. Murdoch, 87—16=71; E. B. Tipping, 74+1=75; F. B. Lowe, 80—4=76; T. G. Burton, 84—8=76.

ROYAL MID-SURREY (75).—Fortnightly Competition.—Bogey.—Senior.—A. P. Lawless (9), 2 down. Junior.—M. Granger Harrison (13), 3 down.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S (RAMSGATE) (69).—Easter Open Meeting (36 holes bogey).—Class "A."—A. L.

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YACHTING

RACING ON THE CROUCH

The starters in the second match of the season for the Royal Burnham Yacht Club's Restricted Class sailed on the Crouch on Saturday, were Mr. Hartley E. Straker's Linette, Messrs. Jessell and Gatt's Hyacinth (ex Quiz), Mr. Alphonse N. Abraham's Harlequin, Messrs. H. B. and F. J. Pitcher's Persephone (ex Marjie), Captain Gerald Lowry's Red Rover, Messrs. R. Garnham and R. Hawkes's Black Adder, Mr. H. Warwick Smith's Vivacious, and Mr. Austin O'Connor's Erin. They were sent off at 11 a.m. to sail the Hollwell-Roach-Shore Ends course of about a dozen miles in a moderate to fresh north-easterly breeze. As is generally the case, the finish was quite a close one.

The official timings were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Persephone (winner)	2	16	0	Vivacious	2	23	4
Linette (2nd)	2	18	10	Erin	2	24	20
Harlequin (3rd)	2	20	3	Hyacinth	2	26	0
Red Rover	2	22	8	Black Adder	2	28	16

Another race for the class will be sailed to-day.

NEW YACHT LAUNCHED

The Reg, a six-metre yacht, built to the order of Mr. Norman Clark Neil, Paisley, was launched from the Fairlie yard of Messrs. William Fyfe and Sons, on Thursday afternoon. The Reg, is the first yacht to be launched on the Clyde this year and precedes a record number of yachts which are nearing completion in the Clyde yards and are being launched in time to take part in this summer's racing. The Reg is to sail this summer in Norwegian waters for the Scandinavian Gold Cup.

YACHTING FIXTURES

A list of the season's yachting fixtures is given below. Those marked with an asterisk include special races for trying out Shamrock V. Solent fixtures mean Solent classes racing. Continental regatta dates are provisional.

*May 17.—Royal Harwich Y.C.
*May 19.—Royal Harwich Y.C.
*May 20.—Harwich to Southend Race.
May 17-24.—Southend Week.
May 21.—Southend Town Regatta.
*May 22.—Royal Thames Y.C. at Southend.
*May 28.—Royal Thames Y.C. at Ryde (First Special Solent Fixture).
May 28.—Royal Thames Y.C. at Ryde (Solent Fixture).
*May 29.—Royal Victoria Y.C. (Second Special Solent Fixture).
May 29.—Royal Victoria Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
*May 31.—Royal London Y.C. (Third Special Solent Fixture).
May 31.—Royal London Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
*June 2.—Royal Southern Y.C. (Fourth Special Solent Fixture).
June 2.—Royal Southern Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 5.—Royal Motor Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
*June 7.—Lymington Y.C. (Fifth Special Solent Fixture).
June 7.—Lymington Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
*June 9.—Royal Yacht Squadron (Final Special Solent Fixture).
June 10.—Royal Norfolk and Suffolk Y.C.
June 11.—Royal Norfolk and Suffolk Y.C.
June 12.—Royal Norfolk and Suffolk Y.C.
June 14.—Colne Y.C. Regatta.
June 14.—Lee-on-Solent Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 16.—Castle Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 16.—Kingstown Regatta.
June 17.—Kingstown Regatta.
June 17.—Island Sailing Club (Solent Fixture).
June 18.—Royal Southampton Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 20.—Belfast Lough Regatta.
June 20.—Royal Corinthian Y.C. (12-metre Race to Ramsgate).
June 21.—Belfast Lough Regatta.
June 22.—Burnham to Ramsgate Races.
June 23.—Royal Temple at Ramsgate.
June 24.—Royal Temple at Ramsgate.
June 24.—Castle Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 25.—Royal Temple Y.C.
June 26.—Royal Motor Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 27-July 8.—Clyde Fortnight.
June 27.—Royal Albert Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 28.—Portsmouth Corinthian Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
June 28.—Royal Cinque Ports Y.C. at Dover.
June 30.—Dover to Ostend Race.
June 30.—Island Sailing Club (Solent Fixture).
July 1.—Island Sailing Club (Solent Fixture).
July 2.—Bembridge S.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 2-5.—Ostend Regatta.
July 3.—Bembridge S.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 4.—Bembridge S.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 5.—Lee-on-Solent (Solent Fixture).
July 7-10.—Havre Regatta.
July 11.—Royal Albert Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 12.—Portsmouth Corinthian Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 12-17.—Deauville Regatta.
July 14.—Castle Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 15.—Island Sailing Club (Solent Fixture).
July 16.—Island Sailing Club (Solent Fixture).
July 17.—Royal London Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 18.—Royal Cornwall Y.C. (Falmouth).
July 19.—Port of Falmouth Regatta.
July 19.—Hamble River S.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 21.—Royal Plymouth Corinthian Y.C.
July 21.—Castle Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 22.—Royal Western of England Y.C.
July 22.—Castle Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 23.—Port of Plymouth Regatta.
July 23.—Royal Victoria Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 24.—Royal South Western Y.C.
July 24.—Royal Victoria Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 25.—Royal Albert Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 26.—Minima Y.C. (Plymouth).
July 26.—Royal Thames Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 28.—Royal Thames Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 29.—Royal Thames Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
July 30.—Minima Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 2.—Royal Southampton Y.C.
Aug. 4.—Royal London Y.C. (Cowes).
Aug. 5.—Royal London Y.C.
Aug. 6.—Royal Yacht Squadron.
Aug. 7.—Royal Yacht Squadron.
Aug. 8.—Royal Yacht Squadron.
Aug. 9.—Royal Southern Y.C.
Aug. 11.—Royal Victoria Y.C.
Aug. 12.—Royal Victoria Y.C. and Start Fastnet Cup.
Aug. 13.—Royal Albert Y.C.
Aug. 14.—Royal Albert Y.C.
Aug. 15.—Seaview Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 16.—Seaview Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 16.—Bournemouth Regatta.
Aug. 18.—Royal Dorset Y.C.
Aug. 18.—Lymington Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 19.—Lymington Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 20.—Lymington Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 21.—Solent Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 22.—Brixham Regatta.
Aug. 22.—Solent Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 23.—Brixham Regatta.
Aug. 23.—West Wight S.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 25-30.—Dinghy Racing at Lowestoft (P.O.W. Cup, Aug. 28).
Aug. 25.—Torbay Royal Regatta.
Aug. 26.—Torbay Royal Regatta.
Aug. 27.—Royal Torbay Y.C.
Aug. 28.—Royal Motor Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 29.—Royal Dart Y.C.
Aug. 29.—Royal Motor Y.C. (Solent Fixture).
Aug. 30.—Dartmouth Royal Regatta.
Aug. 30-Sept. 6.—Burnham Week.
Sept. 13.—First race for the America's Cup.

CLYDE FORTNIGHT DATES

June 27.—Mudhook Y.C.
June 28.—Royal Clyde Y.C.
June 30.—Royal Clyde Y.C.
July 1.—Royal Western Y.C.
July 2.—Clyde Corinthian Y.C.
July 3.—Royal Gourock Y.C.
July 5.—Royal Northern Y.C.
July 7.—Royal Northern Y.C.
July 8.—Royal Largs Y.C.

SCHOOL SPORTS

PRIOR PARK COLLEGE

The feature of the Prior Park College sports was the breaking of two School records and the equalling of a third by G. A. Kelly, who won the Victor Ludorum Cup. He ran the 120 yards hurdles in the excellent time of 16 3-5sec., thus equalling the Public Schools Championship record. P. Ryan won the Mallett Cup for the senior cross-country run.

The results were:—

100 YARDS.—G. A. Kelly, 1; R. J. Oates, 2. Time, 10 9-10sec.
220 YARDS.—G. M. White, 1; W. W. Oates, 2. Time, 26sec.
440 YARDS.—C. Kelly, 1; P. Ryan, 2. Time, 60sec.
MILE.—P. Ryan, 1; P. Pike, 2. Time, 5min. 15sec.
HIGH JUMP.—G. A. Kelly (5ft. 4in.), 1.
PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—G. A. Kelly, W. W. Oates, and G. White (35ft. 10in.), equal, 1 (record).
LONG JUMP.—G. A. Kelly (19ft. 8½in.), 1 (record).
120 YARDS HURDLES.—G. A. Kelly, 1; R. J. Oates, 2. Time, 16 3-5sec.

SIR WILLIAM BORLASE SCHOOL, MARLOW.—CROSS-COUNTRY.—Slater. MILE.—Webber, 5min. 15sec. LONG JUMP.—Smith Major, 19ft. THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—Laws, 74 yards 1ft. 3in. 220 YARDS.—Smith Major, 25⅗sec. HIGH JUMP.—Webber, 5ft. 100 YARDS.—Smith, 10 4-5sec. 120 YARDS HURDLES.—Smith, 19 4-5sec. PUTTING THE WEIGHT.—Drye, 27ft. 4in. LONG JUMP.—Smith, 21ft. (School record). QUARTER MILE.—Smith, 52 2-5sec. OLD BOYS' RACE (100 YARDS).—K. W. Thomas, 11 2-5sec. HOUSE RELAY.—Briton's. HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP.—Normans. VICTOR LUDORUM.—Smith.

RATCLIFFE COLLEGE.—100 YARDS.—H. O'Brien, 10 2-5sec. QUARTER-MILE.—H. O'Brien, 58 3-10sec. HALF-MILE.—J. Birkbeck, 2min. 21sec. 220 YARDS.—H. O'Brien, 26sec. (School record). MILE.—J. Birkbeck, 5min. 24sec. 120 YARDS HURDLES (3ft.).—G. B. Thorley, 20 1-10sec. HIGH JUMP.—J. Birkbeck (4ft. 7in.). LONG JUMP.—B. McMullin (17ft. 9in.). THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.—B. McMullin (78 yards 10in.). PUTTING THE WEIGHT (16lb.).—T. Little (28ft. 2in.). VICTOR LUDORUM.—H. O'Brien.

Child (6), 4 down. Class "B."—Colonel C. A. Barker (10), 1 down. Class "C."—A. B. Coaten (Pannal) (14), 3 down. Best 18 holes.—Dr. E. T. Fletcher (18), 2 down. Monthly Bogey.—E. G. Hicks (8), 3 down.

ST. GEORGE'S HILL.—Monthly Medal (played over second course).—L. D. Sewell, 76—8=68; T. Jones, 83—5=78.

ST. LEONARDS (72).—Medal Competition.—I. Drybrough-Smith, 88—18=70.

SANDY LODGE (78).—Easter Medal.—G. C. Wood, 88—8=80. Bogey.—M. R. C. Young (+2), 1 up.

SELSEY (73).—Maurice Jewell Cup.—R. J. J. Purb[illegible] Cook (18), all square.

SIDCUP (75).—Monthly Bogey.—Division I.—F. S. Thompson (9) and W. S. Taylor (11) tied all square.

SONNING (77).—Sutton Challenge Cup.—H. C. Goodby (11), 3 down.

STANMORE (76).—April Par Competition.—E. P. Bedwell, all square; J. S. Pike, 3 down.

STOKE POGES (79).—Easter Meeting. Friday.—Bogey.—A. H. Gould (3), 1 up. Ladies' Prizes.—Mrs. Gulley (13), 3 down. Saturday.—Medal.—Miss Mobbs (17), 75 net. Bogey.—Miss Mobbs (17), all square.

SUNNINGDALE PARK (78).—Bogey Competition.—J. Titford (16), 3 down.

TEMPLE (75).—Monthly Bogey.—J. B. Edwards, 1 down.

THAMES DITTON AND ESHER (—).—Medal Competition.—J. R. W. Hankin, 83—20=63; I. J. Elias, 77—4=73; C. R. Lamb, 90—17=73.

VERULAM (77).—Monthly Medal.—Senior.—H. G. F. Macdonald, 87—12=75. Junior.—C. G. Brown, 99—14=85.

WALMER AND KINGSDOWN (74).—Hands Challenge Cup.—O. Samson, 89—14=75, and J. Derby, 81—6=75, tied.

WANSTEAD (75).—Morris Foursomes (Bogey).—D. S. Chetwood (3) and G. M. Locks (15), 1 down.

WEST HILL (76).—Easter Meeting.—Bogey Challenge Cup.—J. C. W. MacBryan (6), 3 up; W. A. Murray (plus 2), 2 up; W. H. Bermingham (2), 2 up.

WEST HOVE (75).—Monthly Bogey.—Captain B. L. Sundius-Smith (8), 3 up.

WEST MIDDLESEX (76).—Monthly Medal.—Senior.—F. J. Hart, 89—12=77, and F. E. Berry, 85—8=77, tied. Junior.—J. L. Cranfield, 93—14=79.

WEST SURREY (76).—Easter Meeting.—Open Medal.—M. D. Pearson, 86—13=73; Miss Pollard, 90—15=75; A. Jarvis, 87—11=76.

WILLINGDON (73).—Bogey Competition.—1st Division.—W. F. Stacey (12), all square. Second Division.—H. J. A. Pollard (20), 2 up.

WOODCOTE PARK (76).—Ladies.—Webb Gold Challenge Cup (36 holes).—Lady Vestey (19), 162.

WORTHING (75).—Medal Competition.—A. P. Mair, 82—7=75, and F. Crossdale, 86—11=75, tied.

THAMES BOAT SAILING

ROUGH WEATHER

There was a full programme of sailing on the Thames on Saturday when, unfortunately, the weather conditions were not favourable. The wind blew in varying force from all points of the compass and there was also rain, hail and thunder, with very little sunshine.

The chief racing was at the Easter meet at Teddington. The first race of the day was for the "A" class boats for prizes presented by the Tamesis Club. There were half-a-dozen starters as follow:—Mr. F. Sigrist's Viva, Mr. H. G. S. Silander's Atalanta, Mr. R. Bond's Surf, Mr. T. L. Turketine's Kingfisher, Mr. W. R. Preston's Carina and Mr. F. S. Sprigg's Caprice. They were sent off at 12.10 a.m. to sail four rounds of a special course in the Reach in a hard and squally north-easterly wind, all the boats being reefed. There were a lot of incidents in the course of the race such as capsizing and colliding, but no very serious damage was sustained. Caprice which was more snugly rigged than her rivals, led the fleet home and won fairly easily.

The official finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Caprice (winner)	12	50	45	Carina	12	56	35
Viva (2nd)	12	52	25	Atalanta	12	56	45
Kingfisher (3rd)	12	54	5	Surf	12	57	5

Surf and Carina were non-starters in a second race for the class sailed in the afternoon for prizes presented by the Thames Sailing Club. The wind had lightened very considerably when they were sent off at 3.55 p.m. to sail five rounds of the course. All finished except Atalanta which retired after fouling a buoy near the end of the race. Caprice which had set a bigger spread of canvas was again successful.

The official finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Caprice (winner)	5	4	23	Viva	5	8	21
Kingfisher (2nd)	5	5	25				

Two matches were also sailed by the International 14ft. Dinghy Class. The first was for prizes given by the Thames United Sailing Club. The starters at 12.15 p.m. were Mr. H. F. Baker's Witch, Mr. F. E. Graham's Vamoosa, and Mr. J. Wetherilt's Firefly. The last named carried away her foresail when well placed in the race, and Vamoosa, which had won on Good Friday, was again successful.

The official finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Vamoosa (winner)	1	5	6	Witch (2nd)	1	13	27

Witch was a non-starter in the second race for the class for prizes given by the Thames Sailing Club, but additional competitors were Mr. G. B. Palmer's Snipe, Mr. H. Langdon Down's Coué, Mr. W. H. Godfrey's Safety First, and Mr. J. Brand's Vixen. They sailed four rounds, starting at 3.45 p.m.

The finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Safety First (winner)	5	8	20	Vamoosa	5	11	48
Vixen (2nd)	5	8	21	Coué	5	13	25
Firefly (3rd)	5	9	30	Snipe	5	21	16

The Thames Sailing Club also gave prizes for the B.R.A. 12ft. Dinghies. The starters at 3.50 p.m. were Mr. T. Saunders's Tyne, Mr. S. R. Masters' Dawn, Mr. C. Bubb's K14, and Mr. C. Zoeller's Miladi. The last named gave up early, but the others completed three rounds of the course.

The finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Tyne (winner)	5	4	4	Dawn	5	39	6
K.14 (2nd)	5	20	5				

Four races were sailed under the burgee of the Upper Thames Sailing Club, at Bourne End, two being for the International 14ft. Dinghy Class. In the first of these, starting at 11.15 a.m., for a prize presented by Mr. Arthur Jackson (Rear-Commodore), Mr. H. F. Edwards's Siskin, a new boat of the season, won by a narrow margin from Merlin, just bought by Mr. J. Howden Hume, Commander R. G. Lock's Pintail being a good third and Mr. S. R. Brown's Maybe fourth some distance astern.

The official finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Siskin (winner)	12	0	16	Pintail (3rd)	12	1	22
Merlin (2nd)	12	1	1	Maybe (4th)	12	5	22

The second race, which was for a prize presented by Mr. G. A. Wales Beard, started at 3.10 p.m., and the finish was timed as follows:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Siskin (winner)	4	10	25	Maybe	4	15	6
Merlin (2nd)	4	12	50				

Two races were also given for the gigs class, in which the competitors were Major Willoughby's Myosotis and Mr. H. H. Tregoning's Elsa. Myosotis was successful in both.

The Royal Canoe Club gave a race at Trowlock Island, in which the starters at 12.15 p.m. were Mr. F. C. C. Knight's Curlew, Mr. Eric Freeman's Genetta, and Mr. W. B. Statham's Senora. Genetta won fairly easily.

The finishing times were:—

	H.	M.	S.		H.	M.	S.
Genetta (winner)	12	58	18	Curlew	1	6	20
Senora (2nd)	1	0	45				

ATHLETICS

CENTENARY SPORTS IN GREECE

ATHENS, April 19.—Great Britain, represented by the Achilles Club, again did well on the second day of the athletic meeting in celebration of the centenary of Greek Independence here to-day. L. B. Neame won the 200 metres in 23 2-5sec. Achilles won the relay race (1,600 metres) in 3min. 25sec, Stade Français being second in 3min. 30 4-5sec. S. Martin (Stade Français) won the 1,500 metres in 4min. 3 3-5sec. Throwing the discus was won by Winter, of the Stade Français, with 44.17 metres.—*Reuter.*

SCOTTISH A.A.A. CHAMPIONSHIP

J. Suttie Smith (Dundee Thistle) (holder) won the 10-miles flat championship of the Scottish A.A.A. on Saturday, his time being 53min. 17sec., which is 2min. 9 1-5sec. outside his own record for the event. F. L. Stevenson (Monkland) was second in 53min. 28sec., and D. M. Robertson (Maryhill) third in 56min. 27sec.

ENGLISH TEAMS IN GERMANY

COLOGNE, April 19.—The Ealing County School hockey team, which is touring West and South Germany, has been beaten twice in the last two days. The first match was played against the Heidelburg Hockey Club, who won by four goals to two. The Ealing team were also beaten by a junior Mannheim team at Mannheim by two goals to none.

At Leipzig the Chiswick Women's team was beaten by five goals to four by the Leipzig Women's Sports Club.—*Reuter.*

JOHANNESBURG, April 19.—H. B. Hart broke his own record for putting the weight here to-day with 46ft. 5in. This is 1ft. ¼in. better than his previous record. Miss M. R. Clark broke the 100 yards' record, her time being 11 3-5sec.—*Reuter.*

T. W. Green, who won the 20-miles walking championship of the Belgrave Harriers at Wimbledon on Saturday, has accepted the invitation of the Amateur Athletic Association to compete in Berlin on May 4 in the international 25-kilometres walk.

TO-DAY'S ATHLETIC FIXTURES

BRIGHTON (Preston Park).—Sussex County A.A.A. v. Achilles Club.
GRAVESEND (Milton-road).—Imperial Paper Mills S.C. Spring Meeting.
HOUNSLOW HEATH.—Hounslow Hospital Sports.
PERRY BARR (Birmingham).—Birchfield Harriers' Open Meeting.
DERBY.—Derby W. and A.C. four miles running and seven miles walking handicaps.
NEWPORT (Mon.).—Newport A.C. Sports.
SHEFFIELD.—Marathon Race.
LEIGH (Lancs).—Leigh Harriers' Sports.
SOUTHEND, 11 a.m.—Southend and County H. five miles scratch walk.

SQUASH RACKETS

THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP

F. D. Amr Bey, the holder, reached the third round of the South of England Squash Rackets Championship, which was begun on Saturday and continued yesterday at the Sussex County Sports Club, Hove.

The results were:—

SECOND ROUND

Captain G. V. Campbell beat K. Oldham (10—9, 9—7, 2—9, 8—10, 9—6).
F. D. Amr Bey (holder) beat W. O'Byrne (9—4, 9—1, 9—2).
F. R. Johnston beat H. Burrows (10—8, 9—5, 9—7).
J. N. S. Ridgers beat Major E. W. Burdett (9—2, 3—9, 9—5, 9—1).
J. H. Nelson beat G. J. V. Weigall (9—7, 9—6, 9—6).

LACROSSE

The Catford touring side, which has the assistance of some players of other London clubs, had a successful beginning to their Easter tour in the West. In their first match against Wills, Catford won by 21 goals to 15, while in their second contest, against Clifton, the tourists won by 13 goals to two. Both games were played on the Wills Club ground at Durdham Down. To-day Catford will oppose Keynsham on the same ground.

HOCKEY

ENGLAND'S EASY VICTORY

England gained a very easy win over Holland in the first international game between the two countries at Scarborough on Saturday by nine goals to one.

It was unfortunate that heavy rain on Friday night and all Saturday made the ground very soft, but England, who adapted themselves to the conditions the better, gave a wonderful exhibition of combined play; the ground throughout played surprisingly well and did not cut up so badly as might have been expected. The heavy defeat of Holland came as rather a surprise, but the game was not so one-sided as the score would suggest. On many occasions Holland were within an ace of scoring, but the luck seemed against them, for twice goals were literally saved on the goal line by a defender when Wolfenden had been beaten. In addition, Dupon, who was the best of the Dutch forwards and got through an amazing amount of work, frequently slipped up when he was well placed to score. Maas also played very finely at outside right, and sent across many fine centres from seemingly impossible positions. He was, in fact, the best wing player on the ground. The other forwards were rather disappointing and had not the dash of Dupon or Maas.

It was, however, no disgrace to be so well held by the brilliant English defence, in which Hoare, at centre half-back, and the backs, Godfrey and Scott Freeman, were the pick. Scott Freeman on his first appearance for England fully justified the high opinion formed of him, and was wonderfully quick in recovering on the slippery ground. The forward line played very well together and passed to one another beautifully. Their task was perhaps made easier by the failure of the Dutch half-backs to mark their wing forwards closely enough. Both Saville and Milford were at their best, and with two such wonderful stick players, who never tried to go too fast on the slippery ground, it was not surprising that nine goals were scored. Nothing but praise can be accorded to the Dutch backs, Tresling and de Waal, who hit beautifully and accurately under the most difficult conditions. Ogilvy had a grand day, for he was better fed than Chilman.

The game itself was extraordinarily fast and free from infringements of the rules. England had much the better of the play in the first half, at the end of which they led by five goals to none. Milford scored the first from a good pass by Waydelin, but Holland were unlucky not to equalize, Wolfenden making a wonderful save from Van Wijk. After some even play Saville worked through to score England's second goal, and Shorting a little later gave them the lead by three goals. Holland were again unlucky when Godfrey saved on the goal-line from Van Wijk, with Wolfenden beaten, and before the interval Saville and Shorting scored further goals, both the result of fine passes by Milford. In the second half Milford obtained the sixth goal after a few minutes' play, but then Holland played up well, and had as much of the game as England for some time. They were eventually rewarded when Tresling scored with a fine shot from a penalty corner. Towards the finish England attacked again, Milford (two) and Shorting adding further points.

The teams were:—

ENGLAND.—J. F. Wolfenden (South), goal; Warrant Officer Instructor A. W. Godfrey (Combined Services) and R. Scott Freeman (South), backs; J. K. Waydelin (Midlands), E. S. Hoare (West), and Captain J. D. Fisher (Combined Services), half-backs; R. G. Chilman (North), S. H. Saville (East), W. L. Shorting (Midlands), D. S. Milford (West), and A. D. Ogilvy (South), forwards.

HOLLAND.—C. Hardebeck (Amsterdam), goal; R. de Waal (Amsterdam) and A. Tresling (The Hague), backs; C. Van Hagen (Hilversum), H. Leegstra (Hilversum), and A. Van Lierop (Hilversum), half-backs; C. Maas (Haagsch Lyceum), A. Jannink (Euchede), A. Dupon (Haagsch Lyceum), Van Wijk (Togo), and H. Van Tienhoven (Hilversum), forwards.

GERMAN TEAM DRAWS AT KINGSTON

A junior team from the Uhlenhorster Hockey Club, Hamburg, played a drawn match with a Public Schools XI. at Kingston on Saturday, each side scoring one goal. The Germans were the quicker side on the ball and their hitting was clean. Had the ground been firmer there is a distinct probability that they would have won. As it was they had to do a great deal of defending, and their goalkeeper, Gunther Mewes, made some excellent saves. During the second period the two centre-halves were in excellent form.

The teams were:—

PUBLIC SCHOOLS XI.—E. W. Blackwell (Mill Hill), goal; W. C. Burton (Kingston) and M. M. R. Haigh (St. Lawrence College), backs; J. R. Winter (St. Lawrence College), D. L. Ross (St. Lawrence College), and K. J. Burton (Kingston), half-backs; J. E. Slade (St. Lawrence College), C. H. C. Ferguson (St. Lawrence College), R. T. Needham (St. Lawrence College), R. Johnson (Kingston), and R. K. Harman (St. Lawrence College), forwards.

UHLENHORSTER H.C. (HAMBURG).—G. Mewes, goal; A. Henser and E. Suhl, backs; A. Bredenorst, A. Rohl, and F. Hintse, half-backs; H. T. Preuss, F. Wulff, P. Spannagel, M. Neumann, and G. Voss, forwards.

COLOGNE, April 18.—An international hockey tournament, arranged by the Cologne Red White Hockey Club, was begun here to-day in wretched weather. Teams from England, Germany, Spain and Switzerland are taking part. The Oxford Occasionals lost to Heidelberg by four goals to two, and Bradford drew with Cologne City, each side scoring two goals.—*Reuter.*

HOCKEY RESULTS

England	9	Holland	1
(At Scarborough)			
Public Schools	1	Uhlen Horster (Hamburg)	1
(At Kingston)			
*City of London M.H.	2	J. C. Clayton's XI.	3

* Home team.

FESTIVALS

BOURNEMOUTH

(WOMEN)

Owls	3	National Provincial Bank	1
Bank of England	4	Camp Hill O.E.'s	2
Sheffield	4	South Hants	1
Manchester	2	Aesculapians	0
Northampton Polytechnic	0	Meyrick Park	0
Weymouth	7	Staines	0
Imps	2	Incognitas	0
Countrysides	3	Sherwood	1
Odds and Ends	6	Witan	0
Crostyx	3	Cheam	2
Hawks	6	Parkstone	3
Wallington	3	Ranelagh	2

TEDDINGTON

Moonrakers	3	Epsom	0
Crouch End	1	Windsor	0

FOLKESTONE

Newport (Mon.)	4	Wiener Athletiksport Club (Vienna)	0
Hounslow	2	Pigeons (Warwickshire)	2
Folkestone Optimists	5	Cheam	3
Buccaneers	3	Old Felstedians	3
Mystics	4	Old Marlburians	3
Bucks Wanderers	4	Nottingham	2
Ghosts	2	Purley	1
Alderley Edge	6	Nik-E-Vols	1
United Banks	12	Swiss Wanderers	1

PLYMOUTH

FRIDAY

Cornish Nomads	4	Plymouth	3
R.N. and R.M.	2	Stragglers	1
Devonshire Regiment	7	Plympton Grammar School O.B.	3
Worcestershire Regiment II.	5	Torpoint	0
Devonshire Regiment II.	6	Plymouth Technical College	1

SATURDAY

Plymouth	3	R.N. and R.M.	1
Plymouth Technical College	2	Torpoint	1
Worcestershire Regiment	2	Old Plymptonians	0
Worcestershire Regiment II.	1	Old Plymptonians II.	1
Devonshire Regiment II.	7	Plymouth College	0

TYNEMOUTH

Wear Valley	1	Scottish Universities	0
Airedale Nomads	8	North Durham	2
Sale	2	Combined Colleges	2
Tynemouth	3	Tynedale	3
Scottish Universities	2	North Durham	1
South Shields	2	Ashington	1
Sale	6	Novocastrians	3
Airedale Nomads	3	Combined Colleges	0
Wear Valley	1	Durham West End	1

LLANDUDNO

Llandudno Ladies	3	Urmston Ladies	1
Stone	1	Retford	1
Warrington	2	North Stafford	1
Y.M.C.A.	2	Llandudno	1

PRESTATYN

Stoke M.O.	3	North Stafford	1
Chorley	1	Stoke L.M.S.	0
Prestatyn	3	Stoke L.M.S.	1
North Stafford	2	Chorley	1

LOWESTOFT

FRIDAY

Lowestoft	1	Wallington	5
Sleepers	4	Granta	4
Westminster Bank	4	Rams	3
Tramps	5	Ipswich	3
Lloyds Bank	1	Eagles	1
Dulwich	3	Herts Wanderers	2
Chelmsford	3	Rams	1
Bank of England	6	Yorkshire Casuals	1
Vacationals	1	Westminster Bank	3
Old Cheltonians	0	Granta	6
Bank of England	1	Fragments	5
Old Cheltonians	4	Eagles	4

SATURDAY

Sleepers	4	Eagles	6
Wallington	6	Granta	10
Dulwich	3	Rams	2
Tramps	3	Herts Wanderers	3
Westminster Bank	0	Ipswich	5
Chelmsford	5	Yorkshire Casuals	5
Sleepers	2	Old Cheltonians	1
Lowestoft	2	Lloyds Bank	1
Rams	3	Granta	1
Vacationals	3	Wallington	9
Old Cheltonians	2	Westminster Bank	5
Lloyds Bank	1	Ipswich	6

WESTON-SUPER-MARE

Polytechnic	3	Magdalen College	2
Occidentals	2	Henleaze	0
Surbiton Strollers	5	Bream	4
Brondesbury	3	Welsh Rarebits	2
Devon Exiles	2	Cheltenham Stragglers	1
Brondesbury	4	Henleaze	0
Surbiton Strollers	3	Polytechnic	1
Cheltenham Stragglers	3	Welsh Rarebits	0
Magdalen College	5	Occidentals	1
Bream	2	Devon Exiles	0

The Welsh ladies' hockey team beat a French team by 11 goals to one at Boulogne.—*Reuter.*

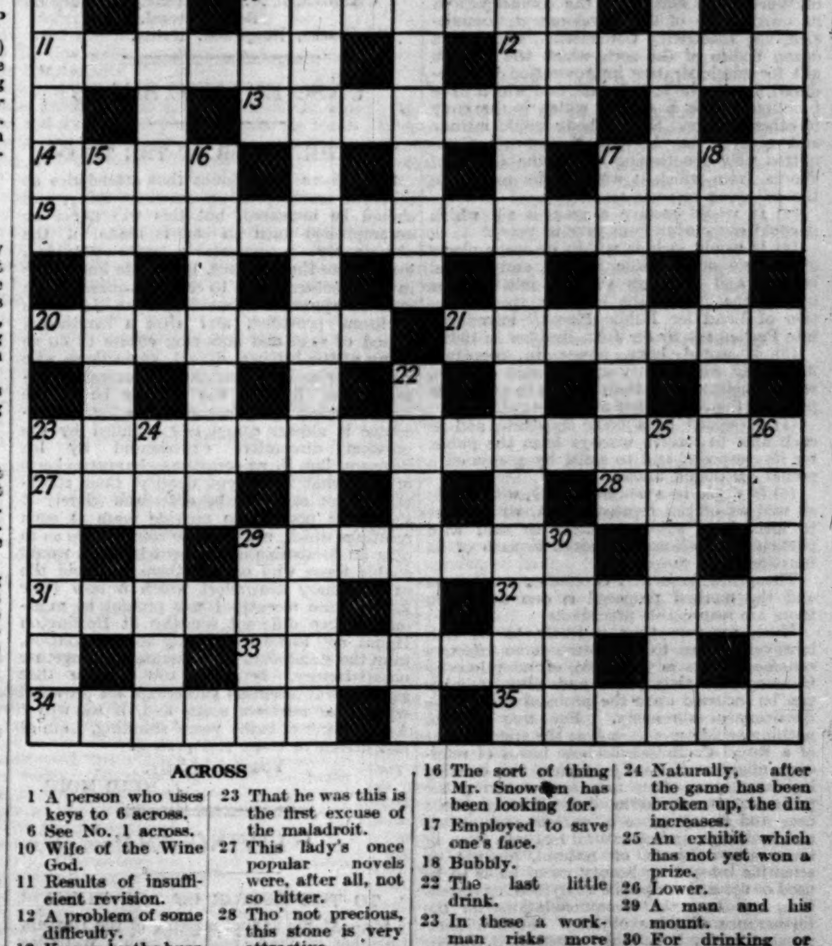
BOWLS

Following his victory with H. Jones in the Pairs Championship of the Alexandra Palace Indoor Club, G. P. Pearson (holder) met E. J. Eves in the final of the Single-handed Championship of the club, and in 13 ends retained the title by the easy victory of 21—8.

Jack Haines, the Australian Middle-weight Champion, knocked out the Italian Orlando Leopardi in the tenth round of a 15-round bout at Sydney on Saturday.—*Reuter.*

The Yorkshire County Cricket XI. should have opened their season with a match against Mr. J. A. Bassett's XI. at Doncaster on Saturday, but rain prevented any play.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 67



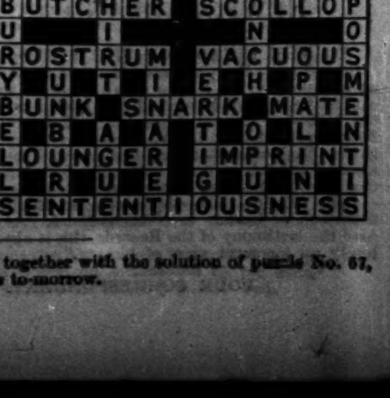
ACROSS

1 A person who uses keys to 6 across.
6 See No. 1 across.
10 Wife of the Wine God.
11 Results of insufficient revision.
12 A problem of some difficulty.
13 Known by the buzz or the ring.
14 An example of the bobbed fashion in tails.
17 This project is quite on the level.
19 Pear imports paid (anag.).
20 Gruesome, and not necessarily Scottish.
21 Tree-climbing reptiles.
23 That he was this is the first excuse of the maladroit.
27 This lady's once popular novels were, after all, not so bitter.
28 Tho' not precious, this stone is very attractive.
29 Head ornaments changed once a year.
31 Last to its beginning.
32 A translucent mineral.
33 Before the Fall, Adam and Eve were not this.
34 These are bitter to the malefactor.
35 An imitative fabric

DOWN

1 Hits me (anag.).
2 This property is to water, more or less, as No. 4 is to light.
3 Rested more than enough.
4 The condition a relative has got himself into is clear.
5 Behind a trench.
6 Often preliminaries to High Court actions.
7 A friend will help in this disordered garden.
8 Aggravates an injury.
9 Mission.
15 Town dweller's last refuge.
16 The sort of thing Mr. Snowden has been looking for.
17 Employed to save one's face.
18 Bubbly.
22 The last little drink.
23 In these a workman risks more than he earns.
24 Naturally, after the game has been broken up, the din increases.
25 An exhibit which has not yet won a prize.
26 Lower.
29 A man and his mount.
30 For drinking or washing.

SOLUTION OF PUZZLE No. 66



The sixty-eighth crossword puzzle in this series, together with the solution of puzzle No. 67, will appear in *The Times* to-morrow.

Letters to the Editor

THE FACE OF ENGLAND

PLEA FOR A ROYAL COMMISSION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Mr. Clough Williams-Ellis's letter, published in your issue of April 19, suggests that in this, as in other matters, public opinion can be mobilized only by a public disaster. He says that the time has come for those who care about amenity to hitch their wagon to a political policy. The face of England is at this moment undergoing a series of changes not less drastic and far more universal than it suffered during the industrial revolution of the last century, or when railway construction brought tears to Ruskin's eye and gall to his pen. It is clear that public opinion is favourably disposed to further steps to protect public amenities; it is unfortunately equally clear that no effective progress can be made without further legislation and without the intervention, on however modest a scale, of some official body, such as exists in every Continental country, as set forth in Professor Baldwin Brown's "Care of Ancient Monuments," 1905, and Sir Robert Hunter's masterly pamphlet on the Preservation of Places of Interest or Beauty, published in 1907.

From the earliest historical times the preservation and restoration of monuments has been recognized as a pious duty: instances can be multiplied indefinitely from Babylonian, Egyptian, Greek, and Roman history, and from the Old Testament—and the reason is given in Joshua v. 21:—"When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying, what mean these stones?" they were to be reminded of the events to commemorate which they were set up.

There are also strong reasons of a practical kind. To quote from a speech delivered by Mr. R. Ferguson, M.P. for Carlisle, in the House of Commons in 1875 in connexion with the Ancient Monuments Act, which, though introduced in 1873, was not passed till 1882 owing to continuous obstruction on the one hand and indifference on the other:—

He did not know anything which would pay so well as the preservation of our ancient monuments, and he was satisfied that the taxpayers of this country would never object to pay a small sum annually for the preservation of these monuments of our history. There was an ever-increasing stream of visitors to this country from across the Atlantic, who came here, not to inspect our railways, our warehouses, or our docks, but to seek out in quiet nooks our ancient monuments, which were the landmarks of our common history. In times to come, when the English-speaking race should have spread itself over the greater part of the globe, and should have acquired wealth and power, the culture that wealth and civilization gave would lead it to seek for that which wealth could not purchase nor civilization create—namely, the monuments over which it could affectionately linger as the existing records of its old home in England. He thought that such a feeling was likely to conduce to the peace, security, and happiness of the world, and he was certain, as he had before observed, that such was the honourable feeling of reverence held by the working men of this country for such monuments that they would not object to the necessary expense being incurred for their preservation.

I suggest that the time has come for the appointment of a Royal Commission to consider the matter in all its bearings: failing this, the merits of the questions at issue will be obscured by party considerations. It is an ancient gibe against Royal Commissions that they are sometimes utilized to shelve inconvenient questions, but their record in this respect is better than that of Parliament.

I also venture to repeat in your columns the suggestion that I made at the last annual meeting of the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Buildings, namely:—

That an Order in Council should be issued, appointing the holders for the time being of certain public offices, together with certain other persons, to be a Committee to direct the application of a sum of money to be provided by Parliament, supplemented by contributions from county and borough councils and from private sources in equal proportions, for the acquisition, protection, and preservation of ancient buildings, common lands, places of natural beauty, and other public amenities. Such a Committee should be constituted as a body corporate by Royal Charter, working hand in hand with existing bodies corporate such as the National Trust, and with your own and other societies, somewhat on the lines of the long existing "Imperial Trust for the encouragement of Scientific and Industrial Research," which is administered by the Privy Council through the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. It should be affiliated to the Office of Works, and should be the counterpart in its own sphere of the Development Commission, the Electricity Commission, and half a dozen bodies of the sort, which the English gift for administrative improvisation has produced during the last decade, and which have functioned with a success which is the envy of other nations. Such a body would include and absorb the Ancient Monuments Committee now functioning under the Office of Works, from which it would differ mainly in the following respects:—

(1) It would receive a grant-in-aid which it could carry over from year to year;

(2) It would include within its scope places of historic or scientific interest and natural beauty, and buildings whether inhabited or not, on the lines of the Bill "for the Dedication of Land for Public Places," introduced into Parliament by Sir John Brunner in 1902;

(3) It would have power to cooperate financially with county and borough councils, which might require fresh powers to make this possible, the Act of 1900 notwithstanding;

(4) It would be a body corporate and as such able to receive moneys from the public for its purposes, and to assist by grants on a pound for pound basis;

(5) It would be a powerful body, with public as well as official representation, with power to form local sub-committees to deal with particular questions or special aspects of its functions.

The principle is not, of course, a new one and the method proposed is one for which there are respectable precedents.

Much precious time is likely to be lost, however, before this or some more effective scheme stands any chance of adoption by Government unless public and official opinion can be focussed upon the problem and on the discovery of a remedy. For this purpose nothing could serve so well as the appointment of a Royal Commission whose terms of reference might well be "to review the existing legislative and other means of securing the protection, preservation, dedication to public uses and maintenance of ancient monuments and buildings, and of natural features, sites, or immovable objects of natural, historic, or scientific interest or beauty, or of lands to be used or secured for public enjoyment or recreation, and to make recommendations for the furtherance of these objects." Such a Commission could, if suitably constituted, review all existing legislation in the U.K. and summarize that in foreign countries, and after hearing the evidence of the societies and individuals best entitled to be heard, make recommendations in pursuance of its terms of reference which would command public sympathy and a prompt response by Government.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
A. T. WILSON.

The Athenaeum, S.W.1, Easter Day.

COD FISHERIES OF NEWFOUNDLAND

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Mr. R. Perry's contention that there is no evidence of the Devon men's share in the earliest fisheries of Newfoundland goes ill with the following extract from the "History of Newfoundland," by D. W. Prowse:—"As regards England's share in this great Transatlantic cod fishery, most writers have declared that for the first half of the sixteenth century—from 1500 to 1560—there were no English fishermen or traders in Newfoundland. As I read the testimony of the Records, this is absolutely an incorrect view of history."

I am, &c.,
YOUR CORRESPONDENT.

CADET CORPS

TRAINING IN THE DOMINIONS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Touching the subject of Cadet "recognition" is the surprising fact that no reference, either in the Lords or Commons, has been made to the success attending the official and universal Senior Cadet training in the Overseas Dominions. This instruction is regarded as a means to instil discipline and self-reliance, and as an invaluable source of efficient recruits, both officers and rank and file, for the respective National Defence organizations. Moreover, annual camp attendance is most useful in that it affords opportunity for a healthy break in the monotony of the daily round of work throughout the year, and in not a few instances teaches the difficult lad to live in concord with his neighbour.

Character, intelligence, and physique nowadays are well fostered in the schools, but surely we should embrace the 15-17 year age groups, at present comparatively neglected. Here and now is the opportunity for the Government to remedy the hiatus, and to bring all our adolescents into line, in common equity, on the one hand with the lads in the Dominions overseas, and on the other with the patriotic and unrewarded work of the Senior and Junior Divisions of the Officers Training Corps contingents.

I am, Sir, &c.,
R. J. E. HANSON, Imperial Cadet Association, Hon. Organizing Officer.

Tredudwell, Fowey, Cornwall.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—I had no opportunity of speaking in the debate on my friend Lord Onslow's motion on April 1 with reference to the Cadet Corps, otherwise I should have touched on the very point which Lord Derby makes clear in his letter in your columns of yesterday. It is surely a little unfortunate that the Under-Secretary of State for War should not have informed himself beforehand of the circumstances in which Lord Derby withdrew the subsidy in 1922, and should have left the majority of the House under the impression that the situation then was exactly similar to the present, when as a matter of fact it was different in every way.

As regards the decision of the Government, I think it is well described by Lord Derby as "anti-militarism run mad." Lord De La Warr, in his speech for the Government, said that they considered it undesirable to get hold of boys at that impressionable age and train them in the use of arms. I personally do not agree, but may I point out that the actual military value of the organizations concerned, *i.e.*, the Cadet Corps, the Church Lads Brigade, and the Boys' Brigade, is not the main consideration in this matter? The chief advantage of these organizations is that the boys get fresh air and physical exercise and are trained to habits of punctuality and obedience—and in the case of the two last named the main object aimed at before all others is, in the words of the Archbishop of Canterbury in the fine speech he made, "to lead the boys on . . . to be faithful soldiers and servants of the Kingdom of God."

May I also say that in my opinion the withdrawal of the money grant, though serious, is not the chief objection to the action of the Government? The chief objection is that all official support is withdrawn as if the organizations had engaged in some nefarious practice, and withdrawn in the most abrupt manner, without one single official word of praise or thanks for the good work which they have done. There is a section of opinion which supports the present Government, which, for some reason, objects to any organization that has for its object the training of the youth of this country in patriotism, regularity, and obedience. In the eyes of this section all such training is frowned on as "militarism."

It is a pity, to say the least, that the Secretary of State for War and the Cabinet have surrendered to it.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
TEMPLEMORE.

Upton House, Alresford, Hants, April 18.

BOILED LOBSTERS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Once again, despite frequent scotchings, has arisen the hydra-headed delusion that live lobsters squeal in pain when thrown into boiling water, and this time in no less august a place than the House of Commons. The Labour member for Brecon and Radnor, Mr. Freeman, as reported in the Parliamentary news of *The Times* for April 17, stated that "groans and cries could be heard for a considerable time after immersion (of the lobster) in the boiling water." The noise made by this crustacean in such circumstances bears no relation to feelings of pain; indeed, a headless lobster similarly treated would "groan and cry" as vociferously as a live one. The noise emitted is not a vital act at all, but is purely mechanical, being due to the rapid escape under pressure of minute bubbles of air from the several crevices about the animal's hinged armour-plating in consequence of the sudden expansive effect of the heat. A piece of pumice-stone or porous brick placed in hot water will often give out a squeal-like note. Lobsters, it is true, have "ears," but these do not subserve an auditory function, but are for purposes of orientation (correct balance and direction during walking and swimming), and vocal organs, in the ordinary acceptance of the term, are absent.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
CHARLES M. BEADNELL, Surgeon Rear-Admiral.

Old Stacks, Ringwood, Hants.

UNSCIENTIFIC SEATS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—There is no doubt that attendance at scientific meetings is an excellent thing, and should be increased, but this will never be accomplished until an end is made of the abominably uncomfortable seats provided, usually, for the audience. It is quite impossible in most lecture rooms to compose oneself, with even an approach to comfort, upon the chairs or forms provided, and after a lengthened period of vain and annoying efforts to do so many of the listeners depart, while those who remain do so in a condition of increasing exasperation. Even if the lecturer be of the highest order, the pleasure of hearing his discourse is almost completely nullified by the physical discomfort experienced by his listeners, but if, as sometimes happens, he is of somewhat indifferent quality, their condition is not easily to be described. Surely it should be possible to provide seats at such meetings which, while not so comfortable as to offer an irresistible inducement to sleep, would enable those who occupy them to avoid the extraordinary discomfort which is now their lot? Quite recently I was present at meetings of two different societies at Burlington House, and found the seating accommodation, from the standpoint I am discussing, altogether unsatisfactory. Is it of set purpose that audiences at scientific gatherings are provided with these *miserere* seats, and, if so, why? As a sufferer of many years' standing, I am at last driven to make this protest.

Yours faithfully,
J. REID MOIR.

"LIVING IN"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—At the annual meeting of the Drapers' Chamber of Trade held in London yesterday Sir Sidney Skinner, who is the chairman of the chamber, and is also chairman of John Barkers, Limited, with its associated stores, stated that he proposed to reintroduce the "living in" system in his firm. He gave as the reason for this the desire to attract young people from the country to serve in his establishment.

On general grounds this is quite incomprehensible. According to the *Ministry of Labour Gazette* of March, 1930, the total number of persons insured under the Unemployment Act in the distributive trades is given as 1,679,090, no fewer than 131,026 of whom are wholly unemployed and 8,351 are temporarily unemployed, making a total of 139,377. There seems to be, therefore, no lack of labour.

On particular grounds this is a most reactionary step to take. All my life I have fought against "living in," and the agitation conducted by the Shop Assistants' Union, together with a combination of other circumstances, has driven this pernicious and immoral condition of employment of labour almost out of existence. With every means at our command the Shop Assistants' Union will resist the reintroduction of "living in" to the distributive trades, and will appeal to parents and guardians to refuse to send children to places which practise it.

Yours faithfully,
P. C. HOFFMAN.

House of Commons, April 2.

SHIPPING AND THE EMPIRE

POWERS OF THE DOMINIONS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—It appears from the memorandum of the Chamber of Shipping summarized in your issue of April 15 that the Chamber is unaware of the nature of the proposals of the Conference on the Operation of Dominion Legislation and Merchant Shipping Legislation, 1929, accepted by the Imperial representatives at that conference. These proposals contemplate the complete abrogation of the whole of the protection accorded to British shipping by the restrictions on Dominion legislation, imposed by the Merchant Shipping Act, the abolition of the supremacy of Imperial legislation hitherto secured by the Colonial Laws Validity Act, and the grant to the Dominions of unrestricted power of extra-territorial legislation.

It is thus proposed completely to depart from the agreement achieved after prolonged discussion by the Colonial Merchant Shipping Conference of 1907, which fully represented shipping interests, and at which Australia had as spokesmen such pronounced Nationalists as Sir W. Lyne and Mr. Hughes. It was then agreed to be just and proper that each part of the Empire should exercise complete control over its registered shipping and all British vessels engaged in its coasting trade. This principle conceded the full constitutional equality of the several Governments, and there seem to be no adequate grounds for the present proposal to accord to every part of the Empire power to deal with all British shipping. No doubt the framers of the Conference Report cherish the hope that legislative chaos will be avoided by inter-Imperial agreements, but no one familiar with the trend of opinion on merchant shipping legislation in the Commonwealth or New Zealand in the last 25 years or with Indian aspirations on this topic will feel any confidence in the fulfilment of this ideal.

I am, &c.,
A. BERRIEDALE KEITH.

University of Edinburgh.

AIR POWER AND ECONOMY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—In his letter of April 17 Sir Samuel Hoare has suggested that the British taxpayer has a grim prospect before him if the Air Force "is always to be supplementary to naval and military expenditure." Quite so: but if the Air Force is included in naval and military expenditure the British taxpayer's burden will be lightened and common sense vindicated. With women using "the new instrument of mobility," its use can hardly be denied to the Army and Navy.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
RICHARD F. PHILLIMORE, Admiral.

Shedfield House, Hants, April 19.

A SCOTTISH INVASION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—If Mr. Eric Keown will consider the percentage of Irish people now located in the Lowlands of Scotland, he must agree there is small cause for carping at the invasion of a mere 50,000 Scotsmen to support a Scottish football team.

The important and inspiring part played by pipe music in Highland regiments during the War should also be noted. Pipers have been written about extensively of late years. As is well known, during the period of the ascendancy of the pipe they were very numerous all over the Gaelic-speaking Highlands and Ireland. In Skye they were established in some strength in the seventeenth century or earlier. There the famous MacCrimmons and the MacArthurs flourished for a period and taught the art of piping to pupils apparently from all parts of the Highlands. A point of some importance for Mr. Eric Keown to keep in view is that in all probability the great MacCrimmons came from Ireland. The name "Crimthann" was at one time common in that island, and was of kingly connexion: Crimthann Nia Cair reigned about the beginning of the Christian era. Leaving all early forms of pipes out of the question, the principal sets of interest at present are three—namely, the "Irish," the "Northumbrian-Scots," and the "Scots Highland." Bagpipes were the national instrument of Ireland as well as of Scotland, and, judging from recent competitions, they certainly appear to be destined to retain their position as the national instrument of the future.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
FINCASTLE.

Duncraig Castle, Plockton, Ross-shire.

A NEW REST CURE FOR TRAMPS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—We have been assured by Ministers and Ministerial utterances that in consolidating the Poor Laws there has been no material alteration in the law itself. My submission is that in one respect, at least, there has been such an important alteration as completely to destroy its original spirit and intention. In this connexion I refer to Section 4 of the Casual Poor Act, 1882, which provides, *inter alia*, as follows:—

"Where a casual pauper has been admitted on more than one occasion during one month into any casual ward of the same union he shall not be entitled to discharge himself before 9 o'clock in the morning of the fourth day after his admission."

The foregoing provision was incorporated in the Poor Law Act, 1927, Section 71, 2, and again in the Poor Law Act, 1930, Section 44, 2. In the last cited subsection there is a consequential alteration of terms made necessary by the abolition of the old unions, and the words "County or County Borough" are substituted for the words "Poor Law Union" in the repealed statutes.

It will be obvious to every practical administrator that this new phraseology is something more than a mere change of nomenclature, because the most ubiquitous tramp cannot be expected to transport himself from county to county with the same ease and mobility as he had hitherto from union to union, under the old régime. Apparently this is what the Act requires of him; otherwise he may be detained for four days on each and every occasion that he enters any casual ward of the same county where there is not the requisite hiatus of time intervening since his last admission. Such a provision may represent the considered judgment of Parliament. If it be so, it is quite clear that only omniscience can enforce it.

J. G. B. STONE.

Canterbury, April 14.

ENGLISH GIRLS IN ROME

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Now that the exhibition of Italian pictures has drawn to a close, and the thoughts of many thousands have been turned towards Italy, we venture to appeal most earnestly on behalf of English-speaking girls in Rome.

A hostel is urgently needed for girls in business, teachers, students, and for those on the stage, &c., who come to Rome in large numbers and are confronted with very great difficulty in finding suitable lodgings. The Girls' Friendly Society, therefore, has set itself the task of supplying this need. An apartment is to be purchased, but to start and equip it £2,000 is needed, £1,000 of which has already been contributed; further gifts will be required until it is self-supporting. Girls of all denominations will be welcomed, and it is hoped that an employment bureau will be included in the scheme. We appeal, therefore, very urgently to all who have the welfare of girls at heart, and who have had the privilege of personal visits to Italy, or of enjoyment of her artistic treasures at home, to send subscriptions or donations, large or small, so that this much-needed hostel may be started as soon as possible, providing, as it will, a real home atmosphere for those girls whose business calls them to Rome. Gifts may be sent to Miss F. J. Lawrence, 76, Biddulph Mansions, Elgin-avenue, W. 9 (hon. secretary).

We are, Sir, yours faithfully,
MARGARET ANTRIM. SYBIL GRAHAM.
KATHARINE CHILTON. JOHN GUILDFORD.
CECILIE V. CUNLIFFE. KATHLEEN HICKS.
BERTHA DAWKINS. VIOLET NUNN.
ALICE GASSETT. SIBYL WILBRAHAM.
NUGENT GIBRALTAR.

Points from Letters

TRADE AGREEMENTS

It is satisfactory to learn that our export trade in certain selected safeguarded trades has improved, but does Mr. H. Leslie Boyce realize that in choosing the trade policy of this country it must, to be successful, be accepted by all three parties in the State, and not be subject to the vicissitudes of General Elections? Further, that we must increase our export trade, that something must be done very soon, and that the Free Traders in this country will never willingly accept Safeguarding? Therefore, why not fall back on the common ground, which all parties can accept, of negotiating trade agreements as suggested in my letter, which if carried through would form a very sure basis upon which to rest our export trade?—Mr. H. N. GEDYE, Manager, Lloyds Bank Limited, Exeter.

BOOKMAKERS' LICENCES

The yearly licence for a moneylender is £15, for a pawnbroker £13 5s., for an auctioneer £10, and for a bookmaker £10. The Chancellor of the Exchequer proposes to abolish the last-named only. In addition to the amount that accrues to the Revenue through these licences it was thought that there was a factor of discipline in that the licences could be cancelled on misbehaviour. Possibly what a writer in *Punch* calls "The Right Wing (without portfolio) of the Labour Party" may, when they realize that practically the only tax remission the Chancellor proposes is the £200,000 yearly received from bookmakers' licences, vote for its retention. The licence fee must tend to decrease rather than increase betting.—Mr. BRYAN PONTIFEX, Knowle, Warwickshire.

DEATH DUTIES

As the death duties are selected for revision, the addition of a clause limiting their incidence to a minimum period of 20 years or so should certainly be added. The present rule is occasionally very unjust, and causes the ruin of innocent patriotic families, whose only fault is that their heads die too quickly by disease, or by accident, or even in fighting for their country.—LIEUTENANT-COLONEL J. T. BUCKNILL, Southampton.

ROADSIDE TREES

My experience of trees has been exactly the opposite to that of Mr. Drummond Robertson, who condemns the *Cupressus macrocarpa* and lauds the ilex. I, too, have many specimens of *Cupressus macrocarpa*, which I have known for years in its native California, and every one of these old trees has withstood all gales, even though they grow on the crown of an exposed hill. On the other hand, a fine old ilex collapsed during the recent gale. Surely soil and shelter must be considered before deciding upon specimens for the roadside. I would suggest that the strongest and most satisfactory tree for the purpose is the magnificent *Sequoia gigantea* (Wellingtonia), and clumps of the rapidly growing *Cupressus macrocarpa* in well-drained soils. The ilex should be placed in sheltered positions, for I find they do not do well in cold or exposed situations.—Mr. G. H. BUSHBY, F.R.H.S., Falcon Hall, Wormley, Broxbourne, Herts.

THE ARMY IN THE WAR

Almost all the letters in *The Times* regarding the excellent behaviour of the British troops in France have referred to the troops at the front. May I add my remarks on the behaviour of those troops who were kept at the base which was formed in 1915 at Calais? This base, where I was camp commandant, began in a small way but rapidly increased to over 7,000 men in the 2½ years I was in command. During that time I never once saw a British soldier drunk in the town, though there were plenty of opportunities for their being so. Very few cases of drunkenness ever happened. The behaviour of the men was most excellent. Their one idea seemed to be to do everything they could to help the fighting line. In my 30 years' service in the Army I never met a more willing and better behaved lot of troops.—COLONEL M. EDYE, Domons, East Grinstead, Sussex.

RAIL AND ROAD

Many readers must have rubbed their eyes over your "Rail and Road" article. No omnibus user could be "undiscerning" enough not to notice the disastrous changes here. The railways have bought the omnibuses; cheap contract tickets are stopped; many services are curtailed; the usual Easter facilities are for the first time denied to us; the omnibuses are late, and much too full; the time-tables are chaotic—since a barrister told me he had given up trying to understand them, it is hardly surprising that no one else can fathom their rhythm. Such—in Anglesey—are "the first blessings of co-ordination." But when did monopoly ever benefit the public?—Miss RUTH VERNEY.

DIEPPE-NEWHAVEN SERVICE

May I, too, protest about the crowded condition of the train from Paris on the night of April 16 on the Dieppe-Newhaven service? The corridor of the first-class coach was occupied by a motley array of passengers and baggage. There were only four passenger coaches, although it was quite obvious some time before departure that these would be inadequate.—Mr. W. HERBERT BUTCHER, M.D., Brinkburn, Stafford-road, Caterham, Surrey.

EASTER SNOWSTORMS

My recollections of the snowstorm that swept over the South of England on the day before Low Sunday, 1908, are not so pleasant as those of the Rev. H. M. Walter. The evergreens, no doubt, looked picturesque in their heavy mantle of snow, but it was sad to see, after the snow had melted, the ground strewn with the fresh young leaves from the deciduous trees, chiefly chestnut and elm, that had been cut off by the violence of the storm. I was vicar of a church in Harrow at the time.—The REV. R. F. PECHEY, The Vicarage, Yateley, Hants.

ROBINS

I fear that Mr. Crombie's currant-fed robin is a little bigamist, for which moral lapse, perhaps, the responsibility lies in his fruit diet, which, we know, "brought death into the world and all our woe." Such shameless conduct as the robin's on the part of man must be rare.—DR. HERBERT R. SPENCER, 4F, Bickenhall-mansions, W.1.

WAYLEAVES IN LAKE DISTRICT

What is the attitude of mind of people who grant wayleaves in the vicinity of Hadrian's Wall? I ask the question in sorrow rather than in anger, because I foresee that landowners in the Lake District are about to be confronted with the same problem. The Cumberland Iron Ore Company is preparing to open a mine at Red Tarn above the head of Langdale, high up on the range of fells between Pike-o-Blisko and Bowfell. The mine is not likely to be a large concern, and it is at least seven miles from the nearest station. The company has made no announcement as to the route which it proposes to take. It is much to be hoped that it contemplates road transport. Local report speaks of seven miles of overhead trolley lines to sling the ore down from the fells to the railway. If landowners grant wayleaves they will be abused for allowing trolley lines through the heart of the Lake District. If they refuse they may upset a matured scheme and cause keen disappointment to the local unemployed.—Mr. H. B. HEELIS, Sawrey, near Ambleside.

TOMBS OF HISTORIC INTEREST

It is the privilege and responsibility of this scattered and agricultural parish to possess tombs of historic interest. In our churchyard are buried John Locke, and members of the Masham family, including Lady Abigail, the favourite of Queen Anne. For the restoration of the philosopher's tomb funds are probably available; but the Masham altar tombs, some of them in disrepair, and all requiring attention, are causing anxiety to the parochial church council. As this is a matter of more than local interest, we feel it our duty to make this requirement known.—The REV. C. H. ROE, High Laver Rectory, Ongar, Essex.

PRICE OF CLOTHES

I am glad that attention has been drawn to the exorbitant prices charged for clothes. A month ago in London I was asked 13½ guineas for a quite ordinary lounge suit, which is ridiculous and cannot be justified. Nine guineas and 10 guineas asked for ready-to-wear suits are equally absurd.—Mr. J. P. MEDLEY, Ashcliffe, Holbeck Hill, Scarborough.

DESTRUCTION OF WILD FLOWERS

It seems little short of sacrilege to look upon primroses as articles of commerce. And Miss Wood's theory that it is better for them to be picked is surprisingly opposed to the experience of most members of our society. It is a strange thing that so many people are pleased with wild flowers stuffed into little pots and bowls, and appear scarcely to appreciate them growing in the full and varied beauty of their natural surroundings. Anyhow, if the flowers are picked, their original owners, and all future comers, are deprived of the pleasure of seeing them in the woods and meadows. And this is, of course, the way that those who have the truest appreciation of wild flowers wish to see them.—Miss MABEL ONSLOW, Society for the Protection of Wild Flowers, Mount Severn, Llanidloes, Mont.

Broadcasting

THE PROGRAMMES

MUSIC AND VARIETY

To-night, at 9.40, an orchestral concert will be conducted by Sir Henry Wood, whose programme will include Bach's Air on the G string; Handel's Sailor's Dance and Trio, "Rodrigo"; and Mozart's Minuet in D for Horns and Strings from Divertimento. Earlier in the evening there will be broadcast a variety entertainment, to which Mr. Jack Salisbury, Miss Vivienne Chatterton, Mr. George Clarke, and Mr. Harold Scott will contribute.

PROGRAMMES

The broadcasting arrangements for today, April 21, are as follows:—

NATIONAL PROGRAMME.—1,148kc. (261.3m.); 193kc. (1,554.4m.).

10.15 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 10.30:—Time Signal from Greenwich; Weather. 11-11.30:—(261.3m. only) Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process (Vision).

12:—Organ Recital by Edgar C. Cook, relayed from Southwark Cathedral; W. A. Langley (contralto). 1.15:—The National Orchestra of Wales (Leader, Louis Levitus), conducted by Reginald Redman, relayed from the National Museum of Wales (from Cardiff). 2-2.30:—Gramophone Records. 4:—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. 4.30:—Orchestra from Grosvenor House.

5.15:—Children.—All Tickets, Please, an Easter Excursion. Doris Gambell and Harry Hopewell will sing songs, including The Land of I dunno where (Gideon), When you go to Fairyland (Cowen), Toy Town (Monckton) (from Manchester). 5.50:—Birthdays. 6:—Travelling without an Interpreter, by Mr. Archie MacDonell. 6.15:—Weather; News. 6.40:—Pianoforte Music of Liszt, played by Niedzielski. 7-7.20:—Books in General, by Mr. Desmond MacCarthy.

7.30:—Jack Salisbury (violinist), who will be playing throughout the programme. Vivienne Chatterton in songs with harpsichord accompaniment; George Clarke, partnered by Cyril Smith; Effie Kalisz (pianoforte solos); Peter Cresswell in excerpts from Reynard the Fox, by John Masefield; Harold Scott (Old Time Songs); Ethel Lodge (in Welsh Monologues); Frederic Lake and Constance Wentworth (Folk Songs and Duets). 9:—Weather; News; New York Stock Exchange Reports; Shipping Forecast (1,554.4m. only). 9.25:—Easter Eggs I have known, by Mr. L. Du Garde Peach. 9.40:—The Wireless Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Sir Henry Wood. 11-12:—(1,554.4m. only) Band, from Ciro's Club.

LONDON REGIONAL PROGRAMME (842kc.) (356.3m.).

11-11.30 a.m.:—Experimental Television Transmission by the Baird Process (Sound). 12:—Violet Lee (soprano); Paul Molchanoff (bass); 12.30:—Gramophone Records. 1:—Orchestra, from the Piccadilly Hotel. 2-3:—Midland Regional Programme. 5.15:—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. 6.15:—Weather; News. 6.40:—Midland Regional Programme. 7.40:—Light Story Reading. 8:—The Gershom Parkington Quintet; Olive Groves (soprano). 9:—Regional News. 9.5:—B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. 10.15:—Weather; News. 10.30-12:—Band, from Ciro's Club.

MIDLAND REGIONAL PROGRAMME (626kc.) (479.2m.).

12:—The London Regional programme. 2-3:—Orchestra. 5.15:—Children: A Day at a Busy Railway Station—A Holiday Talk, by John Anderson; Songs by Mary Pollock (soprano) and Cuthbert Ford (baritone); the Legend of Bottle Hill, an Irish Story, by Margaret M. Kennedy. 6:—See London Regional programme. 6.15:—Weather: News. 6.40:—The Haydn Orchestra, relayed from the National Trades Exhibition, Bingley Hall, Birmingham. 7:—The Black Dyke Mills Band, conducted by A. D. Pearce; Owen Bottomley (cornet solo), relayed from the National Trades Exhibition, Bingley Hall, Birmingham. 8:—See London Regional programme. 9:—Midland News. 9.5:—See London Regional programme. 10.15:—Weather; News. 10.30-11:—London Regional Programme.

ABERDEEN (995kc.) (301.5m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 3:—See Glasgow. 6:—National programme. 6.35:—See Glasgow. 6.40:—National programme. 9.15:—Scottish News Bulletin. 9.25-11:—National programme.

BELFAST (1,238kc.) (242.3m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 12-1:—Gramophone Records. 4:—The Orchestra; Nancy a Sir (soprano); Doreen Jenkins (harp). 5.15:—Children. 6:—National programme. 6.35:—Sports Bulletin. 6.40-11:—National programme.

BOURNEMOUTH (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 4-11:—National programme.

CARDIFF (968kc.) (309.9m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 1.15-2:—The National Orchestra of Wales (leader, Louis Levitus), conducted by Reginald Redman, relayed from the National Museum of Wales. 2-2.30:—National programme. 4:—National programme. 5.50:—Birthdays. 6:—National programme. 9.15:—West Regional News. 9.25-11:—National programme.

DUBLIN—Call 2RN (413m.), 1kw.

6-12 (midnight):—Special Irish Vocal and Instrumental programme.

DUNDEE (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

EDINBURGH (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 3:—See Glasgow. 6:—National programme. 6.35:—See Glasgow. 6.40:—National programme. 9.15:—Scottish News Bulletin. 9.25-11:—National programme.

GLASGOW (752kc.) (398.9m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 3:—The Octet; Winifred Spencer (soprano); Ann Kitto (pianoforte). 4:—Orchestra. 4.30:—The Octet; Sanders Warren (baritone). 5.15:—Children. 5.57:—Weather for Farmers. 6:—National programme. 6.35:—Scottish Sports Bulletin. 6.40:—National programme. 9.15:—Scottish News Bulletin. 9.25-11:—National programme.

MANCHESTER (797kc.) (376.4m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 4:—The Northern Wireless Orchestra; Pat Ryan (clarinet). 5.15:—Children. 5.50:—Birthdays. 6:—National programme. 6.35:—Regional Sports Bulletin. 6.40:—National programme. 9.15:—North Regional News. 9.25-11:—National programme.

PLYMOUTH (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 4:—National programme. 5.15:—Children. 5.50:—Birthdays. 6:—National programme. 9.15:—Sports Bulletin; Local News. 9.25-11:—National programme.

SWANSEA (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 1.15-2.30:—National programme. 4:—National programme. 5.50:—See Cardiff. 6:—National programme. 9.15:—West Regional News. 9.25-11:—National programme.

RELAY STATIONS.—**LIVERPOOL (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), LEEDS-BRADFORD (1,500kc. and 1,040kc.) (200m. and 288.5m.), NEWCASTLE (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), SHEFFIELD (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), HULL (1,040kc.) (288.5m.), STOKE-ON-TRENT (1,040kc.) (288.5m.).**

10.15-10.30 a.m.:—The Daily Service. 4:—National programme. 5.15:—Children. 6:—National programme. 6.35:—See Manchester. 6.40:—National programme. 9.15:—North Regional News. 9.25-11:—National programme.

FOREIGN STATIONS

NOTE.—Hours of transmission are British Summer Time. Hours are p.m. unless otherwise stated.

BARCELONA (Radio Barcelona)—Call EAJ1 (349m.), 8kw.—7:—Orchestral Music. 7.30:—Baritone Song Recital. 8:—Talk. 8.15:—Orchestral Music. 8.50:—French Song Recital. 9.20:—Orchestral Music. 9.40:—Sports Announcements and Barcelona Exhibition Notes.

BELGRADE (429m.), 2.5kw.—5.30:—Tzigane Music. 7.30:—Talk. 8:—Violin Recital. 9:—Time and News. 9.10:—National Songs with Guitar Accompaniment. 9.40:—Dance Music. 10.40:—Relay of Foreign Stations.

BERLIN (Koenigswusterhausen) (1,635m.), 26kw.—5.30:—See Berlin (Witzleben). 7:—Talk. 8:—Programme from Munich, followed by News and Dance Music from Berlin (Witzleben).

BERLIN (Witzleben) (418m.), 4kw.—11 a.m.:—Experimental Relay from Rome—Concert by the Choir of the Sixtine Chapel. 5.30:—Der Tag zweier Menschen—An Easter Stroll in Berlin (Max Kolpe). 7:—Talk. 7.25:—Talk on the following transmission. 7.30:—The Magic Flute—Opera in two acts (Mozart) from the Kroll-Oper, Platz der Republik. In an interval, Time, Weather, News and Sports Notes. After the Programme, Dance Music.

BERNE (403m.), 1.5kw.—6.15:—Gramophone Concert. 7.15:—Songs to the Lute. 7.30:—Talk. 8.10:—Songs to the Lute. 8.30:—Orchestral Concert from the Kursaal Schänzli. 9:—Mut und Kümmerli streiten sich—Radio Sequence (Faukhauser). 10:—News and Weather. 10.15:—Orchestral Selections.

BRATISLAVA (279m.), 12.5kw.—6:—Reading. 7:—See Prague. 10.15:—News, Announcements. 10.20:—See Moravska-Ostrava.

BRESLAU (325m.), 3kw., and **GLEIWITZ** (253m.).—6:—Reading. 6.30:—Light Variety. 7:—Paraphrase on Goethe's Faust—The Easter Walk (Erich Landsberg). 7.25:—The Magic Flute—Opera with Introductory Talk (Mozart), relayed from the Kroll Opera House, Berlin. 10.30:—News. 11:—Dance Music from Berlin (Witzleben).

BRUNN (342m.), 2.4kw.—6:—German Transmission—News, Songs, and Music. 6.30:—Literary Selections. 7:—See Prague. 10.15:—News and Theatre Notes. 10.20:—Programme from Moravska Ostrava.

BRUSSELS (508.5m.), 1kw.—5:—Dance Music. 6:—Readings. 6.15:—Talk. 6.30:—Concerto in E flat for Violin and Pianoforte (Mozart). 7:—Gramophone Records. 7.30:—Le Journal Parlé. 8.15:—Gramophone Records. 8.30:—Transmission of an operetta. 10.15:—News.

BUDAPEST (550m.), 20kw.—6:—Selections from Folk Plays, with accompaniment by a Tzigane Orchestra. 7:—Sports and Racing Notes. 7.30:—Ein Herbstmanöver, operetta in three acts (Imre Kalman); followed by Gramophone Concert.

COPENHAGEN (281m.), 1kw., and **KALUNDBORG** (1,153m.), 7kw.—6.20:—Talk. 6.50:—Weather and News. 7.15:—Time; Sports Talk. 7.30:—Talk. 8:—Town Hall Chimes. 8.2:—The Hansen Family, humorous domestic episode (Jens Locher). 8.15:—Pianoforte Recital from the works of Sinding—Five Caprices, Op. 44; Marche grotesque; Prelude in A flat major, Op. 34. 8.35:—Orchestral Concert. 9.15:—Talk on the Films. 9.45:—'Cello Recital—Chant du Ménestrel (Glasounoff); Old Italian Melody, Ballo, Adagio (Haydn); Hungarian Rhapsody (Popper). 10.5:—Melodies from the works of Scandinavian Composers. 10.25:—Mandoline Concert—Italian Serenade; Erotica (Grieg); Intermezzo (Saborio); Pastoral (Hansen); Hungarian Dance No. 3 (Horwath); The First Violin (Zilcher); Two Russian Dances. 10.45:—News. 10.50:—Dance Music. 12 (midnight) (in the interval):—Town Hall Chimes.

CRACOW (313m.), 1kw.—7:—Miscellaneous Items; News. 7.58:—Time Signal. 8:—Literary Programme relayed from Warsaw. 8.20:—An operetta (Lehar). 10:—Talk. 10.15:—News and Dance Music relayed from Warsaw. 12 (midnight):—Bugle Call from the Tower of St. Mary's Church.

FRANKFURT (390m.), 3kw., and **CASSEL** (246m.).—6:—Vocal Quartet Concert, relayed from Stuttgart. 7:—Concert of Wind Instrument Music. 8:—Götz von Berlichingen (Goethe). 9.45:—Concert. 11:—News. 11.20:—Tzigane Music.

HAMBURG—Call ha (in Morse) (372m.), 8kw., and **BREMEN** (319m.), **FLENSBURG** (218m.), **HANOVER** (560m.), **KIEL** (246m.).—6:—Gala Mandoline Concert. 7:—Concert. 7.55:—Weather. 8:—Variety Programme. 10.20:—Talks, Weather, Political and Miscellaneous Announcements, and Sports Notes. 11:—Café Wallhof Concert.

HILVERSUM (298m.), 8kw. After 5.40 p.m. on 1,071m.—9.40 a.m.:—Gramophone Records. 12.40:—Quintet Concert. 2.30:—Talk. 3.10:—Military Band Concert. 5.10:—Gramophone Records and Sports Notes. 5.40:—Children. 6.30:—Gramophone Records. 7.25:—Talk. 8.25:—Gramophone Records. 8.40:—Time Signal. 8.41:—News. 8.55:—Polenblut, Musical Comedy in Three Acts (Stein, Music by Nedbal). 11.40:—Gramophone Concert.

HUIZEN (1,875m.), 6.5kw.—1.10:—Time Signal. 1.11:—Organ Recital. 2.40:—Time Signal. 2.41:—Choral Concert. 4.10:—Gramophone Records. 4.40:—Time Signal. 4.41:—Religious Programme for Organ, Soprano and Contralto with Readings. 5.55:—Gramophone Records. 6.10:—The Resurrection, Cantata (Neukomm) for Mixed Choir, Soloists and Orchestra. 7.40:—Time Signal. 7.41:—Concert of Sacred Music. 8.40:—Time Signal. 8.41:—Concert—Overture, Oberon (Weber); The Second Symphony (Beethoven). 9.40:—Reading. 10.10:—Concert—The Unfinished Symphony in B minor (Schubert); The First Rhapsody (Liszt). 10.55:—News. 11.5:—Gramophone Concert.

LAHTI (1,800m.), 40kw., and **HELSINGFORS** (221m.).—5.59:—Time and Weather. 6.10:—News and Violin Selection; Concerto in G minor (Bruch), with Orchestral Accompaniment. 6.35:—Orchestral Music: Suite (Fibich). 6.50:—Talk. 7.10:—Choral Music. 7.30:—Recitations. 7.55:—Orchestral Selections of Favourite Airs. 8.45:—News in Finnish and Swedish.

LANGENBERG (473m.), 15kw., and **AIX-LA-CHAPELLE** (153m.); **COLOGNE** (227m.); **MUNSTER** (234m.).—1:—Orchestral Concert. 2.30:—Wireless Literature. 3:—Talk. 3.20:—Easter Magic—Fairy Play for Children (Arthur Wedlich). 4:—Children. 4.25:—Gramophone Concert of Gay Music. 4.55:—Introductory Talk to the following transmission. 5:—The Mastersingers, Opera (Wagner), relayed from the Opera House, Cologne. After the Programme, News, Sports Announcements, Concert and Dance Music.

LEIPZIG (259m.), 3kw., and **DRESDEN** (319m.).—6.15:—Mandoline Recital. 6.45:—Talk. 7.30:—Schwanda the Piper, Opera (Weinberger), relayed from the Dresden Opera House. 10:—Time, Weather, News, and Sports Notes, followed by Dance Music from Berlin (Witzleben).

MADRID (Union Radio)—Call EAJ 7 (424m.), 3kw.—3:—Chimes, Time Signal and Concert—Pasodoble, La chula de Pontevedra (Luna-Brú); Hungarian Dance, No. 6 (Brahms); Selection from Gigantes y cabezudos (Caballero); Song, Mi pobre reja (Tabuyo); Weather; Theatre Notes and Labour Market Report; Mandolinata (Saller); Selection from I Pagliacci (Leoncavallo); Granada (Albéniz); Recitations, Suite, Impresiones asturianas (Villa). 8:—Chimes, Exchange Quotations and Variety Programme. 9.25:—News.

MILAN—Call 1MI (501m.), 7kw.—7.15:—Concert. 8:—Report of the Geographical Society; Announcements. 8.15:—News and Excerpts from the Reviews. 8.30:—Time Signal. 8.32:—L'Amico Fritz—Opera (Mascagni), with Introductory Talk. Variety Items and Talk in the interval. 11.30:—News. 11.40:—Concert.

MORAVSKA-OSTRAVA (263m.), 10kw.—7:—See Prague. 10.12:—Programme Announcements. 10.20:—Dance Music.

MUNICH (533m.), 1.5kw., and **AUGSBURG** (560m.), **KAISERLAUTERN** (270m.), **NUREMBERG** (239m.).—6:—Talk. 6.25:—Weather and Sports Notes. 6.30:—The Popular Beethoven—Programme of Anecdotes and Musical Illustrations.—Andante in F major, Sonata in C major—The Waldstein. 7:—Faust Verklärung (Goethe). 8.5:—Symphony Concert. 9.30:—Talk. 10:—Concert and Dance Music on Gramophone Records. 10.20:—News.

NAPLES—Call 1NA (331.4m.), 1.5kw.—8.30:—Sports Notes, News, Government Report, Announcements, and Harbour Notes. 9:—Time Signal. 9.2:—Variety Concert. In the interval, Sports Notes. 10.50:—News, Calendar and Programme Announcements.

OSLO (493m.), 60kw., and **FREDRIKSSTAD** (368m.), **HAMAR** (584m.), **NOTODDEN** (445m.), **PORSGRUND** (453m.), **RJUKAN** (445m.).—5.50:—Chimes and Divine Service. 7.15:—Weather and News. 7.30:—Talk. 8:—Time Signal. 8.2:—Concert—March, Admiral Stosch (Latann); Popular Melodies and Norwegian Dances (Hansen); Waltz Intermezzo, Loin du Bal (Gillet); Choral Selection from Lohengrin (Wagner); Cornet Octet Selection, March, Hoch Habsburg (Kral). 9.30:—Weather and News. 9.50:—Topical Talk. 10.10:—Gramophone Dance Records.

PARIS (Radio Paris)—Call CFR (1,725m.), 12kw.—12.30:—Gramophone Concert—Concerto in D (Bach); Death and the Maiden (Schubert); Allegro from the Sonata in C minor (Händel); Allegro from the Quartet in G major (Haydn); The Two Grenadiers (Schumann); Andante from the Quartet in B flat major (Beethoven); Après un rêve (Fauré); Scherzettino (Taffanel); Lamento (Duparc); Rondo from the Trio for Piano, Oboe, and Bassoon (Poulenc); Clair de Lune (Fauré); Cavatina (Raff); Cimetière de Campagne (Hahn). In the interval, News Bulletin. 3.30:—Orchestral Concert. In the interval, News. 6.30:—Agricultural Report and Racing Results. 7:—Gramophone Concert. 7.45:—Economic and Social Notes and News. 8:—Historical Documents—The Trial of the Templars (after Documents collected by M. Arnaud). In the interval at 8.30:—Sports Review. 9.15:—Press Review, News, and Time Signal. 9.30:—Concert from the Works of Chopin—Andante and Polonaise for Piano and 'Cello; Songs—(a) Slavonic Ballad, (b) Pour [illegible], (c) Avant la bataille, (d) Lithuanian Song; Trio in G minor for Violin, 'Cello, and Piano.

PRAGUE (487m.), 5kw.—6:—German Transmission—News and Songs. 7:—Time Signal. 7.5:—Talk. 7.20:—Introductory Talk to the following transmission. 7.30:—Schwanda the Bagpiper, opera (Weinberger), relayed from the State Opera House, Dresden. 10:—Time, News, and Sports Notes. 10.15:—Announcements, Theatre Review, and Programme Announcements. 10.20:—Programme from Moravska-Ostrava. 11:—Time Signal.

ROME—Call 1RO (441m.), 50kw.—8.15:—Giornale parlato, Announcements, and Sports Notes. 8.30:—Exchange, Weather, News, and Press Review. 9:—Time Signal. 9.2:—Concert of Folk Music. News after the programme.

STOCKHOLM—Call SASA (436m.), 1.5kw., and **MOTALA** (1,348m.), 30kw., **BODEN** (1,200m.), **GOTEBORG** (322m.), **HORBY** (257m.), **OSTERSUND** (770m.), **SUNDSVALL** (542m.).—6:—Evensong. 7.15:—Die Arme Jonathan, operetta (Millöcker). 9.40:—Concert of Swedish Music—Concert Overture (Sedström); Swedish Suite (Ottoson); Swedish Song Suite (Rosenberg); Polonaise from The Suitors of the Duchess (Berg); Ballet Suite, The Ten Foolish Maids (Atterberg).

STUTTGART (360m.), 2kw., and **FREIBURG** (570m.).—6:—Neapolitan Folk Life. 7.10:—Sports Notes. 7.30:—Programme from Frankfurt. 11:—News. 11.30:—Tzigane Music, relayed from Budapest.

TOULOUSE (Radiophonie du Midi) (381m.), 8kw.—6:—Dance Music. 6.15:—Picture Transmission. 6.25:—Talk on History. 6.35:—Vocal Tango Recital. 6.50:—[illegible] 7:—Recital of Russian Songs. 7.15:—News. 7.30:—Orchestral Concert. 8:—Exchange [illegible] 8.15:—Picture Transmission. 8.25:—[illegible] 9:—A Comedy by the Midi Artiste Troupe. [illegible] North African News.

TURIN—Call 1TO (291m.), 7kw.—5:—Orchestral [illegible] 6:—News and Agricultural Report. 7.15:—[illegible] Overture, The Magic Flute (Mozart); Nocturne [illegible]; Selection from Madame Butterfly (Puccini). [illegible] Report of the Geographical Society, Announcements. 8.15:—News, Extracts from the Reviews. 8.30:—Time Signal. 8.32:—Programme from Milan.

VIENNA (516.5m.), 15kw., and **GRAZ** (352.5m.), **INNSBRUCK** (283.5m.), **KLAGENFURT** (453.2m.), and **LINZ** (245.9m.).—10.30 a.m.:—Choral Concert [illegible] Popular Concert by the Vienna Symphony Orchestra. 1:—Midday Concert. 3.30:—Trio for Pianoforte, Violin, and 'Cello (Karl Prohaska). 4:—Orchestral Concert; in the interval, Relay of the International Tennis Match Austria v. Japan, from the Vienna Parkklub Courts. 6:—Travel Talk. 6.45:—Song Recital. 7.15:—Literary Programme, Time Signal, and Sports Announcements. 8.5:—Frühlingsluft, operetta.

OTHER FOREIGN STATIONS

The following stations will also broadcast varied programmes, beginning at the times stated:—

KATOWICE (408.7m.), 10kw.—10.15 a.m.
KONIGSBERG (276m.), 2kw.—6.30 a.m.
LAUSANNE—Call HB2 (680m.), 1.5kw.—7.45 a.m.
LYONS (Radio Lyon) (286m.), 1.5kw.—12 (noon).
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Call KDKA (306m.), 25kw.—2 p.m.
SCHENECTADY, N.Y.—Call WGY (379.5m.), 30kw.—12.45 p.m. Relayed by 2XAF on 31.48m. from 11.30 p.m. and by 2XAD on 19.56m. from 11.30 p.m.-4 a.m.
WARSAW (1,411m.), 10kw.—10.15 a.m.
ZAGREB (307m.), 0.7kw.—10 a.m.
ZURICH (459m.), 0.63kw.—12.30 p.m.

From The Times of 1830

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 1830. Price 7d.

The committee appointed upon Mr. Charles Pearson's motion to sit in Guildhall, upon the subject of examining into the propriety of reducing the allowance to the Lord Mayor, and cutting down to a reasonable size the salaries of the chief city-officers, has been for some days actively employed. Unanimity, however, has not been the order of the day. The genius of economy, which seldom fails upon occasions of charity to preside over the councils of the corporation of the city of London, has met with but few partisans amongst the 23 selected by the Court to decide upon the merits of the proposition. . . .

Mr. Pearson urged the necessity of diminishing the Lord Mayor's allowance. He proved, by quotations from the printed accounts, that several of the expenses generally reported, and believed to be liquidated out of the allowance, were defrayed, independently, by the Chamber. One of the items was 144*l*. for the Lord Mayor's "entertaining gown." Another was 30*l*. for the gown of the common crier. . . . Many complaints had been made of the present style of the Mansion-house; but that building had cost, in the repairs of itself and its furniture and plate, upwards of 2,000*l*. a year for the last 50 years; so that, while for that period the cost of improving the streets of London amounted to no more than 55,000*l*., the residence of the Lord Mayor caused an expenditure of upwards of 120,000*l*.

The proposition for reducing the Lord Mayor's allowance 1,500*l*. a year was then put and negatived by 12 to 6.

3 per Cent. Cons. 92½ to ¾.

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS AT CARTHAGE

The Archbishop of Birmingham, as representative of the Roman Catholic Hierarchy in England, will lead the English party to the thirtieth International Eucharistic Congress to be held at Carthage from May 8 to 11. The English pilgrims will be accommodated in a liner, which will put to sea from Genoa and will be anchored at Tunis. After the congress they will make excursions to the Roman ruins in the neighbourhood.

CANTERBURY CHESS CONGRESS

THE FIRST ROUND

(FROM OUR CHESS CORRESPONDENT)

CANTERBURY, APRIL 19.

The Easter Congress of the Kent Chess Association began in St. Augustine's College this afternoon, when the Mayor of Canterbury, the Rev. S. Gordon Wilson, presided at the opening ceremony in the crypt of the college. The congress is being played in this crypt and is the first congress in England, I think, to be played in such surroundings.

In proffering the welcome of the citizens of Canterbury to the players and visitors, the Mayor confessed that he was not a chess player, having perhaps been warned off such an enthralling game in his youth through noticing how much time some of his relatives gave to it. He reminded his hearers that they were in a most select place, one which no Archbishop of Canterbury, centuries ago, was ever allowed to enter except as a private person. He trusted that the congress would be the most successful ever held in Kent.

Previously the Rev. W. E. Evill, president of the Canterbury Chess Club, had offered a hearty welcome to the competitors, whose entries and financial help had made the congress possible. His memory, he said, went back to a previous Canterbury congress in 1903, in which at least two of the present competitors took part. One was Sir (then Mr.) G. A. Thomas, and the other Mr. E. E. Stockens. The organizers were under a deep obligation to the Warden and Fellows of St. Augustine's College for the use of the crypt, with its collection of many curiosities from all parts of the world.

Canon J. W. S. Tomlin, Warden of the College, briefly supported the welcome, and expressed the hope that the visitors, in spite of the enthralling nature of their game, would find time to examine the historical treasures of Canterbury.

The pairings and results in the first round of the Premier Tournament were as follows:—

WHITE	OPENING	BLACK	RESULT
Thomas	Queen's Pawn	Seitz	White won
Miss Menchik	Queen's Pawn	Yates	Drawn
Winter	Queen's Pawn	Price	White won
Abrahams	—	Spencer	Adjourned

It was stated that business arrangements prevented E. Spencer arriving until Monday, so his game with G. Abrahams will be played some time next week. The game between Thomas and Seitz was not an easy matter for the defending party, who was in time difficulties almost from the first. The winning attack was well carried out.

Miss Menchik against Yates was one of the usual variations of the opening, plus the Pillsbury attack, and then came a pawn battle on the queen's side.

Winter against Price had to meet something in the way of a deferred Cambridge Springs Defence, and, once he had driven the opposing queen back, obtained distinctly the better position. Price saw certain dangers underlying the offered exchange of queens, but overlooked the greater danger of not exchanging. The end was first the loss of a pawn, and then the arrival of a rook on the seventh rank, which gave Winter a mating position. Price resigned on the 35th move.

The following were results in other tournaments:—

Major Tournament "A."—First Round.—P. A. Ursell drew with J. C. Thompson; A. Mortlock beat "C. Hess"; F. W. Dunn drew with W. J. Fry; Rupert Cross drew with J. A. Drewitt.

Major Tournament "B."—First Round.—Mrs. Holloway drew with H. W. Hilliar; J. Baines-Lewis drew with J. G. Bennett; Mrs. Stevenson against E. B. Puckridge, and C. H. Reid against W. J. Yeales were both adjourned.

The following is the full score of the game between Sir G. A. Thomas and A. Seitz:—

QUEEN'S PAWN OPENING

	WHITE Sir G. A. Thomas	BLACK A. Seitz		WHITE Sir G. A. Thomas	BLACK A. Seitz
1.	P-Q 4	Kt-K B 3	19.	K-R sq	Q-Kt 3
2.	Kt-K B 3	P-Q 4	20.	Q R-Q sq	Q R-Q sq
3.	P-Q B 4	P-B 4	21.	Q-Kt 4	B-B sq
4.	B P×P	P×P	22.	R-B 2	Kt-Q 6
5.	Kt×P	Kt×P	23.	R-B 2	P-K 4
6.	P-K 4	Kt-Kt 5	24.	P-B 5	B-B 4
7.	B-Kt 5 ch	B-Q 2	25.	Q-B 3	Kt-Kt 5
8.	B-Q B 4	Q Kt-B 3	26.	R(B 2)-B sq	B-Q 2
9.	Castles	Kt×Kt	27.	Q-Kt 4	B-B 3 ch
10.	Q×Kt	P-K 3	28.	R-B 3	Q-B 2
11.	Kt-B 3	B-B 3	29.	R-B 3	P-R 3
12.	Q-Q 3	B-K 2	30.	Kt-Kt sq	K-R 2
13.	B-Q 2	Castles	31.	R-Q 2	R×B
14.	B-R 3	Q-B 2	32.	Q-Kt 6	B-Q 5
15.	P-B 4	K-R sq	33.	Q-Kt 6	Kt-Kt 5
16.	Q-Kt 3	P-B 3	34.	R×P ch	P×R
17.	Q R-K sq	B-Q 2	35.	Q×R P ch	Resigns
18.	R-B sq	Q R-B sq			

LONDON v. WASHINGTON

The following game was played on Board No. 2 in the match played by telegraph between London and Washington:—

EVANS GAMBIT

	WHITE N. T. Whitaker	BLACK Sir G. A. Thomas		WHITE N. T. Whitaker	BLACK Sir G. A. Thomas
1.	P-K 4	P-K 4	13.	Kt-B 3	P×P
2.	Kt-K B 3	Kt-Q B 3	14.	Kt-Q 5	Q-K sq
3.	B-B 4	B-B 4	15.	Q-K Kt 3	K-B 5
4.	P-Q Kt 4	B-Kt 3	16.	Q-B 4 ch	K-K 3
5.	P-Kt 5	Kt-R 4	17.	P-K B 3	B-Q B 4 ch
6.	Kt×P	Kt-R 3	18.	P-Q B 3	B×B P ch
7.	P-Q 4	P×Kt	19.	Kt-K 3	Kt-Q 7 ch
8.	B×Kt	P×Kt	20.	Q×Kt	Q×P ch
9.	B×Kt P	R-K Kt sq	21.	K-Kt sq	K×B
10.	B×P ch	K×B	22.	Kt-B 7 ch	K×B
11.	B×P	B-Kt 5	23.	Kt-Q 5	B-K B 6
12.	Q-Q 3	R-K 3			Resigns

25. . . . B-K 7 was suggested as winning more quickly, but White could play 24. P-K B 4 ch in reply, and possibly the win does not at once materialise. Either way there was no escape for White.

The following game was played in the first round:—

QUEEN'S PAWN OPENING

	WHITE J. A. Drewitt	BLACK T. H. Tylor		WHITE J. A. Drewitt	BLACK T. H. Tylor
1.	P-Q 4	Kt-K B 3	18.	Kt×B	R×Kt
2.	Kt-Q 2	P-Q 4	19.	Q-Q 4	Q-R 3
3.	K Kt-B 3	P-K 3	20.	R-R 3	K-B 5
4.	P-K 3	B-Q 3	21.	K R-Q sq	R-K 5
5.	P-Q B 4	Castles	22.	R-B 3 ch	R-Q sq
6.	B-Q 3	Q Kt-Q 2	23.	R×Q R	R×R
7.	Castles	P-B 4	24.	Q×R P	R-K B sq
8.	P×Q P	K P×P	25.	Q-Q 4	Q-K Kt 5
9.	P-Q Kt 3	R-K sq	26.	Q-Q 2	P-R 4
10.	B-Kt 2	Kt-K 5	27.	P-Q R 4	R-R sq
11.	R-B sq	P×P	28.	B-Q 4	R-R 3
12.	Kt×P	Kt×Kt	29.	R-B 3 ch	K-R 2
13.	Q×Kt	Kt-K 4	30.	R-B 7	Q-B 4
14.	B-K 2	Q-R 5	31.	P-R 5	R-K Kt 3
15.	P-B 4	Kt-Kt 5	32.	R×Kt P	B×P
16.	B×Kt	B×B			Resigns
17.	Kt-Kt 5	R-K 3			

If White played 33. Q×B, then Q-Kt 8 ch; 34. K-B 2, Q-R 7 ch; and wins the queen. Apparently White was expecting 32. . . . R×P ch, which would have been quite another matter.

THE REGISTRATION OF ACCOUNTANTS

EVIDENCE BEFORE BOARD OF TRADE COMMITTEE

The Departmental Committee appointed by the President of the Board of Trade to consider whether it is desirable to restrict the practice of the profession of accountancy to persons whose names would be inscribed in a register established by law, and, if so, to report on the method by which such register should be established and controlled, held meetings on March 27 and 28 and April 10 and 11.

Evidence on behalf of the following bodies was given by those named:—

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES.—Sir William Plender, Mr. William Cash, Mr. George Colville.

SOCIETY OF INCORPORATED ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS.—Sir James Martin, Mr. Henry Morgan, Mr. Charles H. Nelson, Mr. Richard W. Bartlett.

INSTITUTE OF ACCOUNTANTS AND ACTUARIES IN GLASGOW.—Mr. Peter Rintoul.

SOCIETY OF ACCOUNTANTS IN ABERDEEN.—Mr. John Reid.

PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS' ALLIANCE, LIMITED.—Mr. Robert Boughey, Mr. Richard W. Bush.

INSTITUTE OF COST AND WORKS ACCOUNTANTS, LIMITED.—Mr. G. H. Clamp, Mr. Donald L. Moran.

LONDON ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTANTS, LIMITED.—Mr. John M. Biggar, Mr. J. C. Latham.

CORPORATION OF ACCOUNTANTS, LIMITED.—Mr. Frederick Wilson, Mr. J. Stirling Brown.

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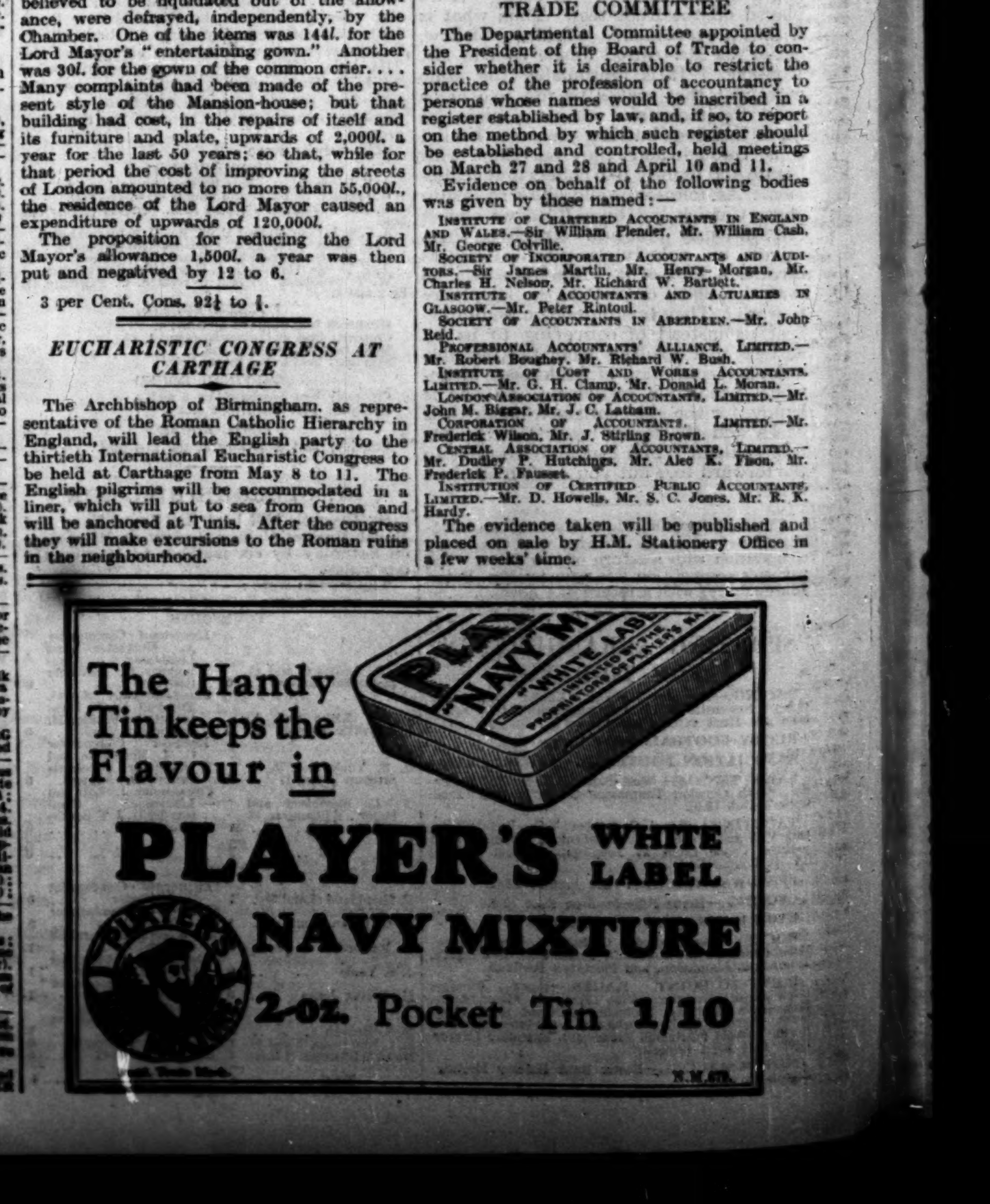

HELPING THE SLUM CHILD

WORK IN DEPTFORD

A NEW TRAINING CENTRE

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

On May 8 the Queen will open the new college buildings of the Rachel McMillan Training Centre at Deptford, the foundation-stone of which was laid by Lady Astor on November 6, 1929.

This event marks an epoch in the development of the nurture of young children, during their pre-school years, in crowded areas. Henceforward it will be possible for 80 students to receive training, instead of 40, in both theory and practice of dealing with young children. This may seem to some to be but an episode in the unfolding story of education in England, but it is more than that—it is a creative act.

The defenceless years of childhood call for the most devoted care of men and women, even through infinite sacrifice, but very many homes are such that the necessary conditions cannot be, or are not, secured. Thus, for far too long the nurture and care of children of the very poor, as a fitting preparation for them to enter into the formal work of the ordinary school, has been neglected, simply because it was not understood. The "under fives" of the poor have been, perforce, treated unwisely and have passed as "over fives" into schools, handicapped by the inadequate and often evil sustenance, bodily and spiritual, of their young lives. They have suffered individually, schools have suffered, and the nation has reaped an undue crop of trouble. Into the welter—it was nothing less—Rachel and Margaret McMillan thrust the creative force of their experienced minds and prophetic spirits. Bradford was the scene of their earliest public labours. They created a tradition there. The children were the real centres and objectives; buildings were only important in so far as they were essential to the development of the children. Baths, voice production, medical treatment (though of a tentative kind, this work being as yet unauthorized), and such adaptation of Séguin's principles as was then possible—all these were begun and projected.

Yet this was not enough. The two sisters realized the creeping evil of slum life as it fastened itself upon the children and sent them in an ill-nurtured condition into the schools. These were the children who needed their endeavours, and they determined to concentrate on them. They were lonely souls, working in advance of the prevalent opinion of their time, yet they never failed to inspire someone or other, who proved to be strong helpers, such as Joseph Fels, in the early years, and Lady Astor in the present. Rachel McMillan passed from the struggle in the Deptford slums in 1916, leaving Margaret McMillan to battle uncomforted by the human presence of her elder sister.

THE PARENTS' HELP

Little by little the nursery school at Deptford grew, until to-day there are some 340 children in attendance. More than 1,000 have passed through the school, fortified by three years' watchful care and wise nurture. About 90 children have remained in the school for 10 years; such are, indeed, gracious in their persons and must prove a purifying influence in many homes of Deptford. Yet a thousand similar children press, as it were, at the gates of the Deptford school, and there are very many Deptfords where there is no such school. There are only 22 approximating to it in the whole of England. It may be argued that the good done in the school is inevitably undone in the homes, but Margaret McMillan is convinced that the evil effects of inadequate home life can be overcome if the child attends the nursery school for nine hours daily, which includes necessary rest and sleep and the provision of three meals. Meals can be provided very cheaply, and the parents help gladly. The child, returning to its home, unconsciously helps to purify it, and parents, observing the good effects of the school practice, become anxious to perpetuate it. Diet tends to become sensible. The fresh air, good food, and activity of the school induce in the child healthy and natural tiredness, and consequently the evening hours, which are so prejudicial to many children, are passed in restful sleep.

Of the 41 students now in residence at the centre, 12 are taking the full three-year course, two of them are already certificated teachers, five are taking the college diploma and the higher Froebel certificate, while 21 are taking the college diploma alone. Bradford is sending 10 students to be trained. The new college will be full. In view of the facts, it is surprising that the open-air nursery school has, up to the present, been adopted so little. The big fact of the effective nine-hour day is for all to see. In Deptford the creative pioneer broods continually over the problems of child life, watches unceasingly the expressions of the forces that are in little children. She makes happy and strengthens daily 340 children, training the while teachers, who understand her methods in increasing numbers.

JUDGE JEFFREYS AT LYME REGIS

VISIT DURING "BLOODY ASSIZE"

Investigations by Mr. Cyril Wanklyn into the archives of the Corporation of Lyme Regis resulted in the discovery of a notice which Henry Fielding, the novelist, affixed to the door of the Town Hall in 1725. A facsimile of the notice was published in *The Times* of February 22, 1928. Mr. Wanklyn has just found papers in the Town Hall, which establish that Judge Jeffreys visited Lyme Regis in 1685. The point, for what it is worth, as filling in biographical details of a man whose character and actions are still hotly disputed, is settled affirmatively by Mr. Wanklyn's discovery of (as he says) "rough notes by some accountant, the tenor of which is to justify a surcharge on Alford [the Mayor] for certain items of expenditure included in the accounts of his mayoralty of 1684-5. The actual result arrived at cannot be determined from these rough notes, but they contain one sentence as to which there can be no doubt whatever. That sentence is as follows:—'Overcharged the treat to my Ld. Ch. Justice and the other judges when all bills are paid .. £25.' This is followed by 'more due to J.B. for a gammon, wine and sturgeon at the feast.'"

Further research in a huge chest containing Mayor's accounts from the late sixteenth to the early nineteenth century, and vouchers connected therewith, has revealed the following account rendered to Alford on September 19, 1685:—

	£	s.	d.
3 gallons of Canary wine at 6/6 ..		19	6
3 halfe barrills of powder for the Towne at 25/- per halfe barrill ..	3	15	0
to one anckor of Rhenish wine ..	1	10	0
½ an anckor of right Rhenish ..	1	1	0
1 a cage of sturgeon		12	0

"The 'cage of sturgeon' is a keg of sturgeon, which, of course, was salted. The powder was wanted for firing off the town guns.

"The Assize at Dorchester," writes Mr. Wanklyn, "finished 'about' September 12, a Saturday, and it has been suggested to me by Sir Edward Parry, the latest author of a history of the Bloody Assize, that Jeffreys, with one or two of his colleagues (there were five Judges on the Commission), may have started for Exeter in advance of the others on Friday, the 11th, and stopped at Lyme to arrange about the execution of the 12 men who were hanged there on the following day. This would have enabled Jeffreys and his colleagues to have got out of Lyme before the Saturday executions."

THE DUCHESS OF LEINSTER

Brought to the Court from Holloway Prison under the care of a policewoman, MAY FITZGERALD, Duchess of Leinster, 38, appeared on remand before Mr. Harold McKenna at the Lambeth Police Court on Saturday on the charge of attempting to commit suicide by coal-gas poisoning in a house in Benedict-road, Brixton. The defence was that the defendant had no intention of taking her life but only intended to frighten a man named Stanley Williams, with whom she had been living. The Magistrate received a report from the medical officer of Holloway Prison as to the defendant, and it was handed to the defending solicitor, Mr. Marshall. Addressing the defendant, the MAGISTRATE said he accepted the statement made on her behalf of regret for what had happened, and hoped she would make it her business to see that nothing of the sort happened again. He postponed judgment on her for two years. The defendant was then released on probation for that period on two sureties in £50 each and her own recognizances. Miss Soppet, the woman probation officer attached to the Court, was appointed to supervise the case.

DOCTOR'S DEATH AFTER FIRE

EVIDENCE AT INQUEST

The inquest on the body of Dr. William Whitcombe, who was found burned in his house at Holland-road, Kensington, after a fire in the basement, was opened at Kensington Town Hall on Saturday.

The WEST LONDON CORONER (Mr. H. R. Oswald), who sat without a jury, said that Dr. Whitcombe was a Harley-street doctor. He was found to have been burned and his clothings was burned. Possibly, even probably, he died from shock consequent on those burns, but there were other features in the case which did not satisfy him (the Coroner) that that was the only cause. He had therefore ordered a *post-mortem* examination to be made by Dr. Bronte.

Evidence of identification was given by the widow, Mrs. Josephine Miriam Whitcombe, who said that her husband had been in ill-health for a very long time. He had a very serious illness about six years ago, and had never really recovered. Recently he had been very feeble, and ate practically nothing.

Mrs. Whitcombe said that only last Saturday her husband was seen by a Dr. Townsend, who told her that Dr. Whitcombe was very ill indeed. He said that his blood pressure was very low, and that his nerves had gone.

Relating the events of the night of her husband's death, Mrs. Whitcombe said that they had a friend to dinner, but there were no servants in the house as it was their evening out. She was in the kitchen until about 9.30, and her friend was in the drawing-room, reading. Her husband, as was his usual custom, remained in the dining-room listening to the wireless.

"When I went into the drawing-room I heard a sound like a bump, but I really thought it came from next door," added Mrs. Whitcombe. "About five minutes later I heard another bump, and this time I ran downstairs. When I opened the dining-room door I could see nothing for smoke. I called out, 'What is the matter?' and then I groped my way over to the window and found my husband huddled up on the floor."

After answering further questions by the CORONER, Mrs. Whitcombe remarked, "You question me as though there is something funny about it."

The CORONER.—We shall have to find the truth, you see, whatever that might be. That is all we are after.

Continuing her evidence, Mrs. Whitcombe said that as soon as she found what had happened she called upstairs to her friend, who came down. She pulled off the tablecloth and tried to put out the fire, while her friend threw flour on to the flames.

Several bottles, one of which was not labelled, and a broken wineglass were handed to the CORONER, who asked Mrs. Whitcombe who smashed the wineglass.

"I may have done it when I pulled the tablecloth off," was the reply.

Mrs. Whitcombe said that her husband's clothing might have been ignited when he was lighting his pipe with a paper spill from the fire. He had always been insured, but she did not know for how much.

A police-constable stated that the room where the fire occurred was very little damaged.

The next witness, who asked that for business reasons he did not wish his name to be made public, was referred to as "Mr. X." He stated that for about 18 months he had been staying at Dr. Whitcombe's home as a paying guest. He was a bank official.

Describing how Dr. Whitcombe was found, "Mr. X" said that when he reached the dining-room Mrs. Whitcombe was trying to put out the flames from the doctor's clothes. Together they poured flour over him, but when Dr. Townsend arrived, he declared life extinct. He had never heard Dr. Whitcombe threaten to commit suicide, but he felt pretty sure that his health was worrying him.

Mrs. Whitcombe was recalled, and said that her husband was in the habit of taking drugs.

Dr. Bronte, the pathologist, said that Dr. Whitcombe's arms, right side of the body, and legs were badly burnt. While conducting the examination he detected an aromatic odour which he was not able definitely to place. It was something like tincture of orange, which was sometimes used for flavouring drugs. Whatever it was, it must have been taken shortly before death.

Dr. Bronte added that in his opinion some of the burns were caused after death.

At this point the CORONER adjourned the inquiry till May 14 for analysis of the contents of the stomach.

MR. LANSBURY AND INDIA

TRIBUTE TO THE VICEROY AND MR. WEDGWOOD BENN

Mr. GEORGE LANSBURY, First Commissioner of Works, in a reference at Bournemouth last night to the Indian situation, paid a tribute to Lord Irwin, the Viceroy, and Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for India.

"The situation in India is extremely difficult," he said. "We do not make our circumstances in life; they get made for us. We of the Labour movement have pledged our faith to Dominion status whenever we are able to carry it in safety to the Indian people. I believe myself that the future of the race depends upon the union not merely in trade, but in understanding and sympathy between the great masses in China, in India, and throughout Asia. I do not know how our friends in India are going to act in future. All I do know is that the two men who are bearing this burden to-day, Lord Irwin, the Viceroy, and Mr. Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary of State for India, above any other two men in the world, have the best and noblest and most honest feelings towards the people of India, and I believe if they are given the chance they will do everything that is possible to be done to help the Indian people to realize the things that are most in their hearts.

"We are faced with a situation which no Government can ignore, no matter what the Government calls itself, and these two men on whom this burden is resting are dealing with it, I know, in a manful fashion, and I think they deserve the sympathy and the encouragement of us all." In every movement, especially a movement like a Labour movement, there was bound to be compromise of one sort or another when one was trying to work for an ideal in the midst of circumstances that were not ideal. "There is only one place where you do not have to submit to compromise," he said, "and that is the grave, and be sure when you are dead you can be as consistent as you like, but to boast of your consistency is sheer, unadulterated nonsense."

A COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR JEWS

VARIED ACTIVITIES OF A NEW SETTLEMENT

In the midst of one of London's worst areas, just off the Commercial-road East, E., there has lately been erected the shell of the Bernhard Baron St. George's Jewish Settlement.

The settlement claims to help "from prenatal days to death," for its activities include an ante-natal clinic and a burial society. There are clubs for infants, for small boys and girls and for those of later school ages, for boys and girls who have left school and are beginning to work, and for men and women. Each club has its own registry office; its "changing room," equipped with baths, foot-baths, and shower-baths; its "noisy" and "quiet" rooms, library, reading and writing rooms, and its own canteen.

In addition the special methods of each age have been catered for. The infants have an open-air playground with a paddling pool, swings, and rocking-horses. The Cubs and Brownies have an indoor camp with an electric camp fire, a "forest," and caves. The older schoolboys have a carpentering room and a chess and draughts room; the older girls a dancing and roller-skating room, a laundry where they can learn to wash for themselves, and a kitchen where they can learn to cook their own meals. There is a billiard-room with proper lighting for "over 17" boys and another for the men. The women have a "cosy room," a picture gallery, and an art room. Associated with the clubs for boys and girls over school age is a medical examination service. There is also within the building a night school under the control of the L.C.C.

Four gymnasia allow for all ages to get general physical training. On the flat roof a large open-air playground is caged in and flood-lights allow games to be played in the evenings. The roof, too, gives space for several charming gardens—real gardens, with beds and borders, and even some fruit trees and climbing roses.

For the use of all a theatre (which will also be used as a synagogue and a dance-hall) is to have real stage lighting and fitting. Beneath this a small sanctuary is reserved exclusively for worship. There is also a music-room, where choirs and orchestras will be trained and individuals taught to play and sing. A solarium, in charge of a sister from the London Hospital, will enable club members to have baths of health-giving artificial sunlight.

The building which houses all these, and many other good works, was provided by the late Mr. Bernhard Baron, who laid the foundation-stone a year ago.

HISTORY OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

NEW EXHIBITION AT THE SCIENCE MUSEUM

A new and permanent exhibition has been opened at the Science Museum, South Kensington, to illustrate the historical development of standards and methods of weight and measurement. It occupies the whole of the entrance hall facing Imperial Institute-road and the long ground-floor gallery which leads into it. In the vestibule are a series of instruments arranged to display the principles of the equal-arm balance, the steel-yard (including the Danish steel-yard or bismar, with a movable fulcrum), and the more complicated recent mechanisms which extend the applications of the lever principle.

The earliest exhibit is an authentic Egyptian equal-arm balance of 1350 B.C., with a wooden beam and a cord pivot suspension, such as is still used in the bazaars of India and in China. One of the original stone weights accompanies it. A Roman bronze balance and steel-yard are shown (both in replica), and a number of glass weight standards of the Early Middle Ages indicate the accuracy of Arab practice. The methods of suspension by cord, by the less accurate ring device, by the gallows-and-pin, and by the knife-edge are shown both in the working specimens and in a series of transparencies in the adjoining gallery, while a number of skeleton models designed by Mr. W. A. Benton, of the Avery Historical Museum in Birmingham, display upon a small scale the various improvements made within the last few centuries to allow large weights to be measured with great speed and accuracy.

Certain turning-points, such as the Roberval "static enigma" of 1669 and Wyatt's cart-weigher of 1740, have affected the whole of modern practice in large-scale weighing machines, but though the models of these are interesting, more attention perhaps will be drawn by Mr. Benton's reconstruction of the two self-indicating balances designed by Leonardo da Vinci in a manuscript now in the Bibliothèque Nationale. Leonardo's instruments, which seem never to have been constructed before either by himself or by any successor in exactly the form proposed, employ a principle in use in a well-known form of letter weigher. There is a fixed weight, or a pendulum, hanging from one of the two extremities of a flat semi-circle of metal pivoted about its own radial centre. A plummet hangs from the pivotal point, and when an object is placed in a pan suspended at the other extremity the semi-circle swings round till the plummet marks the degree of swinging against a scale on the moving circumference of the arc. Leonardo suggested a similar model with an equilateral triangle instead of a semi-circle as its basis. Mr. Benton has made both models of brass, gilded over, thus following Leonardo's suggestion of a gold-like metal.

A number of bullion balances and steel-yards have been arranged both in the vestibule and in the main gallery. Some are surprisingly small and compact (for instance, a Chinese instrument of ivory which folds up into a thin "banjo" case ½in. thick). For contrast there is a mighty bullion balance made by Richard Vandome for the Royal Mint Refinery in 1819, and in this the balance beam is between 5ft. and 6ft. across and the scale pans are large enough to hold a man. The instrument, presented by Messrs. N. M. Rothschild, is none the less said to be so sensitive as to turn with the weight of 0.2oz. troy.

The companion collection of instruments of measurement is of more recent date, since the invention of the micrometer cannot well be traced beyond William Gascoigne's micrometer designed in 1639 for astronomical purposes. Important instruments such as Watt's eighteenth-century micrometer, Whitworth's measuring machine of 1855 (the first to indicate a millionth of an inch), and the comparators recently developed by the National Physical Laboratory through the use of a beam of light can be seen and demonstrated in the gallery.

Three important standards of length lent by the Royal Society are also noteworthy—Graham's standard yard of 1742, Bird's standard 90 inches of 1750, and Shuckburgh's 5ft. standard of 1796. It was by the use of these that the Standards Commission of 1843-55 was able to connect the standards now in use with the Elizabethan yard, after the destruction of the Imperial standard in the 1834 fire at the Houses of Parliament. Mural linear standards of bronze have now been inserted into the walls of the gallery, similar to those erected at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, on the north side of Trafalgar-square, in Guildhall, London, the City Hall, Dublin, and public buildings in Manchester, Bradford, Glasgow, and Edinburgh. Members of the public will be allowed to check by these standards private instruments indicating either metric or Imperial linear measurements.

BROADCAST TALKS

PROGRAMME FOR NEXT THREE MONTHS

The programme of broadcast talks for the three months from the end of April to the end of July has been issued by the British Broadcasting Corporation.

The morning talks at 10.45 will be broadcast on and after April 28 from all stations instead of from the National transmitters only as at present. "The Countrywoman's and Townswoman's Day" series will be continued on Mondays and Fridays, and seasonable subjects, such as butter and cheesemaking, rabbit, poultry and bee-keeping, and gardening are included. A series of talks on "Other People's Lives" will be given fortnightly on Tuesdays, beginning on May 13. On Thursday mornings during May and June Mrs. H. A. L. Fisher is to give a series of eight talks, "Ourselves and the State," and later Miss Ann Spice will talk about "Books for Summer Reading." On Saturdays there will be talks on hobbies and handicrafts and various out-door occupations, and on Wednesdays the talks by women M.P.s will be continued.

The National programme at 6 o'clock is once more chiefly reserved for practical talks intended for those who are unable to listen in the mornings. There will be three talks monthly on the care of dogs, besides the usual farmers' bulletins, market prices, and garden, household, and poultry talks. Readings from Victorian poets will be continued, and on May 8 a weekly series of extracts from "Jane Eyre" will be begun. Seven o'clock talks include the usual commentaries by critics: Mr. Desmond MacCarthy and Miss Sackville-West on books; Mr. Ernest Newman on music; and Mr. James Agate on the theatre. On May 2 a new feature entitled research and discovery will begin; it will be given fortnightly by Mr. Gerald Heard, who will discuss non-technically new discoveries in science, anthropology, and archaeology. During May the "Looking Backward" series of reminiscences will be continued, to be followed by hints on various games given by leading exponents; Mr. Bernard Darwin will open the series with a talk on golf. During the 7 o'clock period there will also be hints for holidays and several literary competitions.

At 7.25 p.m. the main serial talks cover a variety of subjects. On Mondays French talks by M. Stéphan alternate with talks on Commercial Spanish by Don Juan Mascaro. On Tuesdays there will be 12 talks by three eminent scientists on "The Making of a Personality." On Wednesdays Mr. F. L. Lucas, poet and critic, will discuss "Six Victorian Poets"; and Mr. Leonard Woolley "Digging up the Past." The talks on Thursdays at 7.25 p.m. complete the series on Industrial History. Mr. T. H. Marshall, of the London School of Economics, will discuss "Problems of Industry, 1900 to 1914"; and a symposium will be given on "Some Industries of Great Britain To-day." On Friday evenings Professor Julian Huxley will talk on "Bird Watching and Bird Behaviour." In June Friday evenings will be occupied by a symposium of talks on Labour and International Affairs, arranged in cooperation with the International Labour Office. On Tuesday evenings there will be the usual talk from 8 to 8.30 on the National transmitter at Daventry only; it will consist of 12 talks on "The Study of the Mind," by Dr. Cyril Burt.

The late evening talks, at 9.25, will include regular features, such as Mr. Vernon Bartlett on "The Way of the World"; Mr. Harold Nicolson on "A Number of Things"; and Dr. G. Dyson on "The Progress of Music." In addition there will be topical talks, discussions, and a series called "Stars and Stripes," dealing with America.

Copies of the programme can be obtained free on application to any B.B.C. station, or for 1d. post free.

The Broadcasting Programmes for to-day will be found on page 8.

AMERICAN TARIFF ON LACE

NOTTINGHAM TRADE AND NEW DECISION

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

NOTTINGHAM, APRIL 19

The Nottingham lace industry has been deeply moved by the announcement that, in consequence of the threat of reprisals by the French Government, the United States tariff authorities have abandoned their intention to increase the import duties on laces, lace curtains, and plain nets. The increases proposed would have made the further exportation of these goods to America practically impossible.

Nottingham shippers have received telegrams from their New York agents stating that the existing duties of 90 per cent. *ad valorem* on laces and plain nets and 60 per cent. on curtains are to remain untouched, and that the decision has been influenced by the probability of a corresponding increase in the French duties against American motor-cars. Had the proposed increases in the American tariff taken effect the duties on lace goods would have varied from 160 to 250 per cent.

During the agitation for safeguarding it has been repeatedly urged by free importers that no retaliatory measures would be likely to influence the United States Government, and this view has been expressed officially to representatives of the British lace trade when they have urged that steps of this kind should be taken. The change of attitude on the part of the American authorities has consequently caused considerable discomfiture among local supporters of Mr. Snowden's policy. The American decision is of very material consequence to this country. Last year our exports of cotton nets to the United States amounted approximately to £150,000. The export of other laces and of curtains has, however, been almost destroyed by the existing tariff, though France, with her lower wages costs, is still able to do a substantial trade. Heavy shipments of plain nets have been going on from Nottingham to the United States during the last few weeks in response to the desire of importers to build up their stocks before the new duties became operative.

The lace trade has not entirely abandoned hope that the Government may yet be induced to renew the safeguarding duties. The unfairness of discriminating against the safeguarded industries while allowing the McKenna and silk duties, which are of a similarly protective character, to continue is emphasized, and a special meeting of the Lace Federation is to be held next Wednesday to formulate proposals. One is that an appeal should be made to the Government to leave the question to the free and unfettered decision of the House of Commons. Many Labour members, including Mr. A. Hayday, the member for West Nottingham, are known to be strongly in favour of the retention of the duties, and it is believed that if the Government would adopt the course suggested a majority would be found in favour of the duties.

SHOP ASSISTANTS AND AMALGAMATIONS

DISCUSSIONS AT DUNDEE CONFERENCE

A considerable increase in membership was reported at the annual conference of the National Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen, and Clerks which opened at Dundee yesterday. In his presidential address Mr. JOHN MATTHEW, of Glasgow, said that the union had had to consider the development of trustification in the distributive trades, carrying with it the dismissal of old employees, the substitution of juniors for seniors, and decreased salaries to those who were retained. As the result of the merging of firms the workers who had been dismissed found, in one case, 5,000 shops closed against them. Provision was made to compensate the directors of the merged companies, but only where the employees had been strongly organized had they been able to secure compensation for the dismissed workers. In view of these operations in every section of distribution, it would seem that the merging of trade unionists was more pressing than ever.

Referring to the Shop Hours of Employment Bill, he said the agitation must not be allowed to drop.

The report of the executive stated that the balance on the political fund had dropped from £5,600 to £4,065.

The report stated that the question of amalgamation with the Distributive Workers' Union had been further explored. At a joint meeting of the two executives it was decided that the general secretaries of the two unions should prepare and exchange particulars of finance and membership, and that the Distributive Workers' Union had agreed to consider the whole position and possibly submit proposals.

The conference went into private session to consider a confidential report by the executive on the position of the political fund and to discuss the amalgamation proposals and the question of a minimum wage.

At the private session a resolution was carried which reaffirmed the desire of the Conference to further the cause of amalgamation of all employees engaged in the distributive trades, and instructed the executive to embrace any opportunity that might arise to enter into negotiations with other unions catering for those employed in distributive or clerical employment with a view to amalgamation or a working agreement.

EASTER SERMONS

CANON CARNEGIE ON RESERVATION

CANON CARNEGIE, preaching in Westminster Abbey yesterday, said:—

"The practice of Reservation is just now a subject of considerable controversy among Churchmen. Into these stormy waters it would be unfitting to enter on the present occasion. But it is worth while to draw attention to one argument not unfrequently put forward in assured terms. This is the argument that the practice in question implies that dead matter can be invested with spiritual qualities and become for us the medium of spiritual benefit. Such an implication, we are told, science and Christianity alike reject as unacceptable, if not unthinkable. But is this so? Modern science tells us that inorganic matter, so far from being inert, is the scene of the intense interplay of forces which, if not those of life, seem to be reaching out towards life, and easily capable of union with it. From the Christian point of view, if this dictum holds good, what account can we give of Christ's human body. "Its different organs were all composed of particles of matter, constantly replenished by material food and drink. But these organs were the medium through which He conveyed to men His gifts of sustenance and power. They were, moreover, the means by which He offered for them the atoning sacrifice of the Cross. In the context of this consideration it is not possible to stigmatize the implication to which reference has been made as unthinkable or superstitious without involving a fundamental fact of the Christian revelation in the same charge. House cleaning is a salutary operation, and sometimes necessary. But it ceases to be commendable when its clumsy violence threatens the stability of the edifice to which it is applied."

CARDINAL BOURNE ON MARTYRDOM

CARDINAL BOURNE, preaching at Westminster Cathedral last evening on the lessons of the Resurrection, referred to the persecution of the early Christians and the triumph of the Church which followed. Civilization, he said, became synonymous with Christianity, but death had been the condition of triumph, as in the case of Christ Himself. The spread of the Christian faith, though always continuous, had suffered many an interruption. For a thousand years there was a constant expansion of the faith and practice of the Catholic Church in England, till more and more they permeated and sustained the whole fabric of the commonwealth. England became a Catholic nation in the full sense of the word until a lustful, revengeful, and overbearing Sovereign began the rupture from Catholic unity which was perpetuated and consolidated, for purely worldly and political reasons, by his daughter of singularly unreligious character. For a time the Catholic Church in England seemed doomed to death. The Catholic Martyrs were the seed sown, to die and lie hidden, and unremembered, and unhonoured for a while; but to be the pledge and promise to after generations of the wonderful reawakening that was to come—the resurrection of the Catholic Church in England.

HOLIDAY ROAD ACCIDENTS

MANY PERSONS KILLED

Two R.A.F. men belonging to the experimental station at Martlesham Heath Aerodrome were killed instantly, and a third was fatally injured, in a collision between the motor-cycle combination which they were riding and a motor-omnibus at Ipswich late on Friday night.

The names of the dead men are:—Bernard George Foss, William J. Iron, and Air Mechanic Christopher John O'Grady.

The collision occurred at the junction of Cauldwell Hall-avenue and Boston-road. The machines crashed head-on, and the combination also dashed into the wall of Alington House. O'Grady died in Ipswich Hospital on Saturday. The inquest will be opened to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Vaughan Morgan, of Swansea-road, Merthyr, was killed, and his brother, Evan Francis Morgan, was seriously injured, when their motor-cycle came into collision with a petrol lorry on Derrott Hill, Treharris, last night. Evan Morgan, who was riding pillion, was detained in Merthyr General Hospital.

David Blackwell, 45, of Furmage-street, Wandsworth, died in St. Stephen's Infirmary yesterday from injuries received in a motor-cycle accident on Good Friday. Blackwell was motor-cycling in Stephendale-road, Wandsworth, when he knocked down a girl and then ran into the door of a shop. The girl was not seriously injured.

William Frederick Ivey, 22, of Crayford Way, Crayford, Kent, was thrown from the pillion of his brother's motor-cycle yesterday and killed when the machine skidded in Leytonstone High-road. He was thrown under a motor-lorry. His brother, Cecil Ivey, 26, was also injured, but was able to go home after treatment at Whipps Cross Hospital.

Ethel Cocksedge, of Regent-street, Shipley, Yorkshire, received severe concussion and abrasions yesterday when the motor-cycle combination in which she was riding came into collision with a motor-car in Leeds.

William Gaunt, of Church-lane, Crossgates, near Leeds, received severe concussion and wounds to the forehead in a collision in Leeds yesterday between his car and another.

Riding a motor-cycle down a steep hill at Warton, near Carnforth, Lancs, last night, Leonard Lindsay, a young married railway employee, ran into the side of a dwelling-house and fractured his skull.

CAR THROUGH A WALL

Mr. W. Somers-Peyton, of Seven Kings, London, had a remarkable escape from death while motoring near Sheffield on Friday night. His car crashed into a wall, cutting it clean away, and then plunged down a ravine for a distance of 50ft., when it overturned. Mr. Somers-Peyton was trapped underneath. He was able, after 20 minutes, to crawl through the hood uninjured, except for a few bruises.

James Buchanan, 18, apprentice, of Clydebank, died on Saturday following injuries received on Friday night while motor-cycling at Kinlochard, near Aberfoyle. He had gone there to spend his Easter holiday and was thrown from his machine.

Fourteen people were injured on Saturday when a L.G.O.C. omnibus and a lorry came into collision in Lower Clapton-road, E., at the junction of Lea Bridge-road.

One man was killed and another injured in an accident which occurred on Friday night at Winchmore Hill. Alfred John Nottage, 55, of Rose Cottage, Chase Side, Winchmore Hill, seeing two children in the way of a motor-car, ran across the road to try to save them. The motor-car swerved clear of the children, but in doing so knocked down Nottage and a cyclist named William John Templeman, 33, of Wilson-street, Winchmore Hill. Both men were taken to North Middlesex Hospital, but Templeman died on the way. Nottage, who was badly injured, was reported on Saturday to be slightly improving.

R 100

PLANS FOR FLIGHT TO CANADA

(From Our Aeronautical Correspondent)

R 100, the second new British airship to fly, will, if the weather is favourable, leave the airship shed at Cardington this week for further trial flights of 12 hours' duration before preparing for her Atlantic flight to Canada in May.

Since she went into the shed the whole ship has been subjected to routine examination; minor modifications have been made and the envelope has been adapted in the light of experience. One or two more flights will be made if all is well before the round trip to the mooring-mast at Montreal and back to Cardington.

No passengers will be carried on the outward journey, when the prevailing winds will be contrary, but it may be possible to take a few passengers on the return journey, when favourable winds and a more direct route will reduce the weight of fuel necessary.

SCHOOL-LEAVING AGE

SCHOOLMASTERS' SUPPORT OF EXTRA YEAR

Mr. W. R. SHIMMIN, of Liverpool, discussed the raising of the school-leaving age to 15 years in his presidential address to the conference of the National Association of Schoolmasters at Manchester on Saturday, and said that the conference gave the plan unqualified support.

Very little serious opposition, he said, was apparent, though some danger might come from reactionaries, who, lacking the courage to oppose the measure openly, might seize every opportunity of widening those divisions of opinion which were inevitable about details of application and administration. This short period taken from wage earning and given to further preparation and training for living could not be regarded as a mere continuation of what had been done in past years. A special programme was necessary. Physical culture, the worship of the body, would be essential, and they gave it pride of place. There should be healthy exercise in the school gymnasium, games on the school's own playing-field, the development of the team spirit, and playing the game. But sports and games would not monopolize the leisure hours of youth. Education for leisure was becoming increasingly necessary as life became richer in hours not used for toil and sleep. These precious periods wrung from labour must be filled with interests. Periods of aimless loafing were not only unsatisfying and unprofitable to the subject, but might become a menace to the community.

Hobbies must find an important place in the curriculum of every school. There would be a real workshop for simple constructional exercises in wood and metal. A well-furnished school library with cosy reading room would replace the dilapidated cupboards crammed with grimy and worn-out volumes, often suitably garbed in mourning. There would be a science laboratory, a dark room, and a general workroom convenient and useful for dabblers in simple crafts. Boys' attention must be deliberately turned to the contemplation of a livelihood, the varied choice, the prospects, the blind-alley jobs, the casual labour market, the conditions of apprenticeships, the chances of permanent employment, and advancement, how to qualify on leaving school to gain further proficiency—all these and many others were topics which might well make a special course in the curriculum.

No happier result could attend the raising of the school-leaving age than more effective co-operation between employer and teacher. Combined endeavour had been lamentably lacking. Schoolmasters would cordially welcome any assistance employers could give them, particularly in indicating with some exactness those attainments, qualities, and aptitudes which were most desirable, and by suggesting where and how the boys which schoolmasters gave them failed to meet the requirements of modern industry. A revolution in the whole system of natural education from the infant stage to the university had been forecast by more than one prominent educationist as the inevitable consequence of the proposed change. Artificial barriers erected by class prejudice and ignorance would be broken. All boys would make equal claims on the State. Education would be regarded as the greatest of the State services.

The delegates to the conference were welcomed to Manchester by the LORD MAYOR (Councillor R. N. Barclay), the DEAN of MANCHESTER, DR. HEWLETT JOHNSON, and others.

The DEAN of MANCHESTER suggested that something of the spirit of the school should be carried into business life and international relationships. Some of his young friends objected on entering business to not being able always to do the straight and frank and honest thing as they could at school.

Mr. A. W. HAYCOCK, M.P., said that he was glad the conference welcomed the raising of the school-leaving age, but personally he did not think 15 or even 16 was enough.

CLAIMS FOR SICK BENEFIT

GOVERNMENT ACTUARY AND INCREASE

A report which has been prepared by Sir Alfred Watson, the Government Actuary, giving the experiences of a representative group of approved societies of claims for benefit under National Health Insurance during the period 1921-27, has been issued (H.M. Stationery Office, price 4d.).

The approved societies which have been taken as a sample have a membership of 219,000 men, 172,000 unmarried women, and 64,000 married women, and the analysis of claims for sickness benefit shows that, between 1921 and 1927, the claims of men have risen by 41 per cent., those of unmarried women by 60 per cent., and those of married women by 106 per cent. For disablement benefit the claims of men have risen by 85 per cent., those of unmarried women by 100 per cent., and those of married women by 159 per cent.

The report states that the average duration of claims (per claimant) for sickness benefit within the year has not altered greatly in the seven years as respects either men, unmarried women, or married women. The average for men may be put at 4½ weeks, for unmarried women at something under six weeks, and for married women at something more than seven weeks. On the whole, the tendency is downwards in the case of men and unmarried women. Among married women it is rather the other way. The really significant fact is the growth in the number of claimants. In this respect the years 1921 and 1927 show the two extremes. While 14 out of every 100 men claimed sickness benefit in 1921, the proportion had grown to 23 in 1927. Among unmarried women the respective proportions were 12 and 21, and among married women 19 and 38. The growth in the intervening years, though not regular, was practically continuous.

DISABLEMENT

The position as to disablement benefit is similar to that shown in respect of sickness benefit, save that the growth is more regular. The average duration of disablement benefit tends to increase among men, but not among women. Indeed, the average duration of disablement benefit among married women shows a tendency to diminish, though it may be surmised that this is due rather to the increasing proportion of cases of recurrent claims by women who had previously exhausted their right to sickness benefit, and who were accordingly paid at the disablement rate, than to any shortening of the duration of the really protracted claims.

The most significant feature of this experience, as in the case of sickness benefit, is the growth in the number of claimants. Among men the claimants for disablement benefit increased from 15 per 1,000 members in 1921 to 26 per 1,000 in 1927. Among unmarried women the respective figures are 19 and 39, and among married women 33 and 92. The general position as to married women is very striking; in 1927, of every 1,000 such women 380 drew sickness benefit and 92 disablement benefit. Of the 92, some 42 drew both sickness and disablement benefit. Of every 1,000 married women, therefore, 430 drew either sickness benefit or disablement benefit or both in 1927.

Dealing with the question whether the increase in the number of persons claiming benefit was persisting, Sir Alfred Watson says:—"The claims for sickness benefit in 1928, taken over the whole insured population of Great Britain, were about 91 per cent. of the claims of 1927 in the case of men and 94 per cent. in the case of women. On the other hand, the experience of 1929, as indicated by the first 39 weeks' payments of a number of societies covering nearly 50 per cent. of the insured population, shows a serious rise, in the cases of both men and women, over the corresponding period of 1928. Disablement benefit shows a further rise of a few points in the case of both sexes in 1928, and a slight increase in 1929 over the level reached in 1928. Taking both benefits together, it must be concluded that the conditions of 1927 have not subsequently been alleviated."

*** A number of the figures in this report were given and comments made upon them by Sir Walter Kinnear, Controller of the Insurance Department of the Ministry of Health, at the annual conference of the Faculty of Insurance on Saturday, April 5. A report of the speech appeared in *The Times* of April 7.

SCHOOL OF LAW

LAW SOCIETY'S SUMMER TERM

The Summer Term at the Law Society's School of Law will open on April 23 and lectures will begin on April 28. Copies of the detailed time-table can be obtained on application to the Principal's Secretary, at the Law Society's Hall, Chancery-lane, W.C.2. The Principal will be in his room to advise students on their work on Wednesday, April 23, for Intermediate students, and Thursday, April 24, for Final and Degree students (10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Subjects to be dealt with during the term will be:—For Intermediate students: (i.) Public Law, (ii.) Status and Personal Property, (iii.) Criminal Law and Procedure and Civil Procedure, (iv.) Elementary Equity, and (v.) Accounts and Book-keeping (Outline). For Final students the subjects will be: (i.) Equity and Procedure in the Chancery Division, (ii.) Common Law (Tort), and (iii.) Negotiable Instruments and Bailments. There will also be courses on (i.) Criminal Law and (ii.) Private International Law for Honours students, and a course on Jurisprudence for Intermediate Degree students. The courses on Status and Personal Property and Criminal Law and Procedure and Civil Procedure will be taken in the morning (Status, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Criminal Law and Procedure, &c., 10 a.m. to 12 noon) and in the afternoon (4 p.m. to 6 p.m.).

Students must notify the Principal's Secretary before April 24 if they wish to attend the afternoon in preference to the morning lectures and classes. Copies of the regulations (and entry forms) governing the three studentships of £40 a year each, offered by the Council for award in July next, can be had on application to the Principal's Secretary. Notices of entry must reach the society not later than May 1.

DEPRESSION IN WELSH COAL TRADE

NOTICES TO TERMINATE CONTRACTS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

CARDIFF, APRIL 20

Notices terminating contracts of employment were served during the week-end on miners engaged by the Hills Llewellyn and Llewellyn Cyfarthfa Colliery Companies of Merthyr. There are already 2,500 miners out of work in the district, and unless these notices are postponed this number will be increased to about 5,000. The local agent of the South Wales Miners' Federation stated that he hoped to have an opportunity of discussing the position with the management of the collieries with a view to the postponement of the notices indefinitely. The notices are stated to have been issued owing to trade depression.

The position remains unaltered at Bargoed, where a dispute concerning the reinstatement of eight men led to a stoppage at the colliery of the Powell Duffryn Company, as already reported. The men presented themselves for work, but when the eight men were refused their lamps the others returned to their homes. The management has agreed to meet representatives of the workmen on Wednesday, when the matter will be discussed.

Notices terminating their employment were handed to between 600 and 700 men employed at the Burley Pit, Apedale (Staffs), on Saturday. The pit ceases working after 60 years, and it was stated that it was pretty well worked out.

JOURNALISTS IN CONFERENCE

The concluding session of the annual delegate meeting of the National Union of Journalists was held at Manchester on Saturday. A resolution was passed requesting the Executive to consider the question of the affiliation of the union to the Trades Union Congress. The recommendation is to be discussed at the next annual delegate meeting. A proposal that all branches of the union should become affiliated to Trades Councils was defeated. Next year's conference is to be held at Leamington.

News in Brief

The Thames Police Court poor-box has received £10 from the Mercers' Company.

Miss Nellie Shaboe, 46, died after falling from the roof of a house in Balcombe-street, Dorset-square, N.W., early yesterday.

Four men in a small red car carried out a "smash-and-grab" raid in Plaistow on Saturday and escaped with a tray of 140 rings.

Ex-Sergeant Orlando T. Kinsey, of East Grinstead, the oldest Metropolitan Police Pensioner, to-day celebrates his 101st birthday.

The Registrar for the Kingston-on-Thames district, Mr. Leonard Stevens, officiated at 19 weddings at the Kingston Register Office in 1½ hour on Saturday.

A "rag" organized by students at Brighton on Saturday raised £300 for local charities. The programme included a comic "bull fight" on the terraces of the Aquarium.

William Durbin, captain of the steamer Royal Frith (411 tons), lost his life off Whitstable yesterday morning when the dinghy in which he was being rowed from his ship to Whitstable capsized.

Thieves were disturbed in the act of removing a safe from Messrs. Pritchard's restaurant in Westbourne-grove, W., early yesterday. The men jumped into a saloon car and drove away, leaving the safe on the pavement.

Mr. William Cousins, of Paulerspury, near Towcester, aged 52, and Grand Master of the Loyal Earl of Pomfret Lodge of Oddfellows (Daventry district), was found drowned yesterday in Horseshoe Pond at Paulerspury.

Another death from psittacosis, or parrot disease, occurred at Jarrow on Saturday, making the fifth death in the recent epidemic. Mr. Samuel Bramley, aged 62, the latest victim, was a well-known schoolmaster in Jarrow.

A man found a suitcase containing an iron cash-box weighing 1cwt. in Fairclough-street, Stepney, on Saturday, and handed it to the police. The box was embossed with a crown, a broad arrow, and a letter "R," and appeared to be an old Army pay-box.

Mr. J. J. Norton, donor of Poole Central Public Library, whose funeral took place on Saturday, expressed the wish in his will that two standard double-flowering cherry trees should be planted and maintained by his children at his grave, instead of the formal headstone.

NEWS IN ADVERTISEMENTS

The following items are taken from the advertisement columns in this issue of *The Times*, where details will be found:—

A reward will be paid to the finder of a diamond and sapphire bracelet. (p. 1)

A fully equipped dirt track in a busy town is to be sold. (p. 1)

A 36ft. double teak cabin cruiser is for charter or sale. (p. 2)

Applications are invited for the post of Almoner at Clayton Hospital, Wakefield. (p. 1)

SOUTHAMPTON GARAGE CRIME

REPRIEVE REFUSED TO PODMORE

William Henry Podmore will be executed in Winchester Gaol to-morrow for the murder of Vivian Messiter, local manager of an oil company, in a garage at Grove-street, Southampton, on October 30, 1928. Podmore was tried at the Hampshire Assizes last month, and was sentenced to death by the Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart) on March 8.

The Home Secretary, in intimating on Saturday refusal of a reprieve, adopted the unusual course of issuing a statement about the case, giving the grounds on which his decision is based. The official statement was as follows:—

"The Home Secretary has declined to advise interference with the sentence of death passed on William Henry Podmore for the murder of Vivian Messiter.

"It has been represented to the Home Secretary that there is some disquiet in the public mind in regard to two matters connected with the case. The suggestion has been made that criminal proceedings were unduly delayed and would not have been instituted but for the evidence of Podmore's fellow prisoners, and that this suspect evidence turned the scale against the accused. The Home Secretary is fully satisfied that this is not the case, and that the authorities responsible for launching the prosecution and the police acted throughout in a perfectly proper manner. He would point out also that the Lord Chief Justice during the course of his summing up more than once warned the jury in emphatic terms not to allow the evidence of Podmore's fellow prisoners to guide their judgment.

"At the conclusion of a long trial the jury after a short retirement brought in a verdict of *Guilty*. That verdict has been upheld by the Court of Criminal Appeal. The Home Secretary has considered most anxiously and with a full sense of his grave responsibility all the evidence and all the circumstances of the crime. There remained in his mind no scintilla of doubt as to the prisoner's guilt, and he could find no grounds whatever on which he could have advised interference with the due course of the law."

The refusal of the Attorney-General to give his certificate for a further appeal to the House of Lords was recorded in *The Times* on Saturday.

GOVERNMENT AND LIBERALS

VIEWS OF LABOUR M.P.S

Mr. J. JAGGER, in his presidential address to delegates at the annual conference of the National Union of Distributive and Allied Workers, at York, yesterday, said the time was fast approaching when the unions concerned would have to consider seriously the advisability of seeking such a revision of the constitution of the National Cooperative Conciliation Board as would ensure a speeding up of its actions and a strengthening of its powers. The year had been almost free from trade disputes, but they could not count too much on this state of affairs continuing.

The question was raised of the relationship between the Government and the Liberal Party.

Mr. ROBINSON (Liverpool), Political General Secretary, said it was the intention of the Government to repeal the Trades Disputes Act.

Miss WILKINSON, M.P., challenged this definite statement. She said that unless there was a guarantee of sufficient Liberal support this pledge of the Government could not be carried out.

Mr. MACKINDER, M.P., denied any knowledge of an agreement having been arrived at with the Liberal Party. There was nothing in the rumours, and, were they true, Labour M.P.s would resent it.

Mr. R. J. DAVIES, M.P., said that unless this Act were repealed trade union representation in Parliament would decline and the Labour Party would become less a working class party as the years passed.

Mr. ROBINSON, replying to the discussion, said he had no proof of an agreement between the Government and the Liberal Party, but they could not fail to notice the luncheon and tea parties taking place in Downing-street, which made them suspicious, and the Prime Minister had repeated that the Act would be repealed.

Mr. HALLSWORTH, Industrial General Secretary, submitted an emergency resolution expressing disappointment with the Government's attitude towards the draft convention for the international regulation of hours of non-manual workers, and said the Government had treated the Trades Union Congress shabbily in this matter and had badly let down the various trade unions. They had nullified the good work done in ratifying the Washington Hours Convention. If the officials were to blame, then the Government should put an end to officialdom in the Civil Service. It was an attempt to fob off the workers for some years to come.

Mr. ROBINSON (Liverpool) said the Whitehall limpets behind the Cabinet had decided to support the employers in this policy.

The resolution was carried.

Discussing a proposal instructing the executive council to enter into negotiations for the purpose of bringing about a fusion of trade unions catering for the distributive and allied workers, Mr. SCOLLAN, member of the executive council, said cooperative societies could not continue to set standards to other traders as to conditions for the workers so long as the workers had two trade unions.

Mr. SIMPSON (Glasgow) said the executive council had shown no courage and flirted with the idea of amalgamation with the Shop Assistants' Union without doing anything. The resolution now submitted meant nothing.

The previous question was moved and carried.

The delegates agreed to a proposal which in effect sanctioned an increase of 25 per cent. in the contributions to the political fund.

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BUTTER FROM BEECH TREES

By CALLISTHENES

People often talk as if the South Sea Bubble were a strange, isolated event in English history, as if nothing like it had happened before or had happened since. History books treat it as if it were as much limited to its period as the Gunpowder Plot.

The truth is, of course, that the South Sea Bubble was only a big thing of its kind—that every year since has seen a bubble, large or small.

The origin of the South Sea Bubble was just the desire of people to get rich quickly, and the tendency to lose their judgment when they think they are missing an opportunity.

Those who bought shares in the South Sea Company and its allied concerns seem to have lost their heads very thoroughly: £1 shares in a company for making oil from radishes fetched £25. Shares of an insurance company rose from £5 to £250. There were companies for extracting butter from beech trees and for curing gout, for drying malt by air, and for extracting silver from lead:

As always happens, those who lost their heads soon afterwards lost their money. You cannot get butter from beech trees.

Nowadays we are chary about these transmutations of materials. The general level of scientific knowledge is a little higher than it was two hundred years ago. But we still have our weaknesses about gold mines and oil wells in distant lands, and are still ready to listen to those who promise to cure illness and restore youth. Even in 1930 there are those who chase bubbles, who believe that for £1 it is possible to buy something worth £25.

No such transactions should enter into the calculations of reasonable men. They may gamble—and enjoy it. But they know that a £1 ticket for a £100 prize is worth only £1 as long as there are ninety-nine chances against it winning the prize. The search for value only becomes a bubble when gambling values are confused with economic values.

Economic values are reasonable values. They come by the operation of reasonable qualities. A man uses skill, knowledge, courage, industry, foresight and produces for £150 a car that no one else could produce for less than £180. That is economic value, and a man who seeks it can grasp and hold it.

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TOUR OF OLYMPIA CIRCUS

FIRST PERFORMANCE AT LUTON

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).

LUTON, APRIL 19

The famous circus of Bertram W. Mills, which has provided an exhibition of horsemanship, acrobatics, and clowning at Olympia each Christmas since 1920, was for the first time launched on a nomadic career at Luton to-day. After Easter Week at Luton the circus will take to the road for six months, setting up its tent temporarily for brief periods in country towns.

The send-off at Stockwood Park, Luton, was a success, from the point of view of a fine entertainment and a crowded attendance. One of the largest one-ring tents in the world, with seats for 3,500 spectators, has been made for the tour. It is lofty, brightly decorated, and weather proof.

One caught at once the old familiar smell of sawdust from the ring with its promise that the entertainment would in the main follow the tradition of the circus. But one unusual feature was very conspicuous. This was the high and cross-barred steel enclosure which surrounded the ring. A menagerie forms part of the circus, and there was a performance in the cage of the things which wild animals can be trained to do. There were five bears, nine lions, and a tiger. They were all superb animals, and to look at them as they paraded the ring was a fine show in itself.

The bears were required to ascend ladders, and the lions to jump through hoops—squatting on tables while they awaited their turns—and these tricks, so unnatural to them, they did without a fault, but apparently without any enjoyment either. An exception must be made in regard to Kumasi, the Royal Bengal tiger. At the word of his keeper he jumped on to a big white horse whose broad back was well padded with rugs. As the horse ambled round the ring Kumasi was observed to give a swift glance at the height of the steel fence, as if he thought a jump over it might land him in the jungle; but, thinking better of it, contented himself with keeping his gaze fixed on the audience with what seemed an air of pleased curiosity.

ACROBATICS

The enclosure was removed from the ring for the human performers, numbering 120 artists, of whom 65 are British and the rest Continental, American, Mexican, Japanese, and Chinese. If one wondered at the things the wild animals were required to do the surprise was greater at what men and women voluntarily train themselves to perform for a livelihood. There was Ernest Leinert, for instance, "the human cannon-ball," who was projected from what looked like a piece of heavy artillery right across the arena. There were also perching and balancing feats by the Fabbrinis and Nino Fabri. The man climbed a high pole which rested on the girl's shoulder, and on this swaying perch not only stood on his head but swung himself out in a horizontal line. Another sensational (yet beautiful) turn was an aerial butterfly performance by the Balzer Sisters. There were many other exhibitions of acrobatic skill, strength, and daring, some horsemanship and trick-riding by men and women, a parody of trained horses by a team of girl dancers, a display of lassoing, sharp-shooting, and knife throwing by Mexicans, and interspersed with laughable drolleries by a band of clowns, English and Continental.

Lined up in the park were to be seen the numerous motor-vans and wagons in which the tent and equipage of the circus, its actors, and staff are to be conveyed on the coming tour. They are all brightly painted and will provide vivid colour and sound when on parade, headed by a brass band.

Entertainments

THE THEATRES

THE SHAKESPEARE CELEBRATIONS

There are to be many celebrations of Shakespeare's birthday during the coming week, and among the most interesting, in London, are the two special performances of *Hamlet* which are to be given at the Haymarket under the patronage of the King and Queen. The demands made by *matinée* performances render it impossible for either of these presentations to take place on Wednesday, the actual birthday, and to-morrow and Friday have been selected accordingly. The proceeds are being devoted exclusively to theatrical charities—the Actors' Benevolent Fund, the Actors' Orphanage Fund, the Theatrical Ladies' Guild, and the Denville Home for Aged Actors.

A striking company has been got together which is headed by Mr. Henry Ainley as Hamlet, Miss Gwen Ffrangcon-Davies as Ophelia, Mr. Malcolm Keen as the King, and Miss Irene Vanbrugh as the Queen. Practically every other part will be played by a leading actor, and the list includes Mr. Godfrey Tearle as Horatio, Mr. Herbert Waring as Polonius, Mr. Colin Clive as Laertes, Mr. Ernest Thesiger as Osrick, Mr. Baliol Holloway as the Ghost, and Mr. Cedric Hardwicke as the First Gravedigger. Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson has promised to supervise the production.

At the Old Vic *A Midsummer Night's Dream* will be presented during Easter Week, but on Wednesday the usual birthday programme of favourite scenes will be given. Among the ex-members of Old Vic companies who hope to appear are Mr. Robert Atkins, Miss Barbara Everest, Miss Esme Church, Mr. John Garside, Mr. Baliol Holloway, Mr. John Laurie, Mr. Andrew Leigh, Miss Dorothy Massingham, Mr. Eric Portman, Miss Beatrice Wilson, and Mr. John Wyse. The present company will also produce *The Rehearsal*, Mr. Maurice Baring's skit on *Macbeth*. The present season at the Old Vic will close with five performances of *Hamlet* in its entirety, two of the tragedy in a compressed form, and two of *Macbeth*.

On Friday the Royal Empire Society are arranging a Shakespearian recital at the Hotel Victoria in aid of the Sadler's Wells Fund. Scenes will be given from *Hamlet*, *Macbeth*, *Henry VIII.*, and *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. Miss Beatrice Wilson and Mr. Norman V. Norman are arranging the recital, and among those who are giving their services are Miss Sybil Thorndike, Mr. Lewis Casson, Mr. Frank Darch, Miss Kate Coates, Mr. Shirley Bax, Mr. John Wyse, and Miss Esme Church.

The annual birthday festival at Stratford-on-Avon opens to-day with a performance of *The Merry Wives of Windsor* by the Festival Company, which has only recently returned from a successful tour of Canada and the United States. During the rest of the week *Julius Caesar*, *Othello* (selected as the birthday play), *Much Ado About Nothing*, *Romeo and Juliet*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* will be given, and later in the season *The Tempest*, *Twelfth Night*, *King Richard II.*, *Macbeth*, and *Hamlet* will be added to the repertory. On Wednesday there will be the customary birthday celebrations, and Miss Violet Vanbrugh will be one of the speakers at the luncheon.

NEW PLAYS

The run of *Murder on the Second Floor* at the Lyric ended on Saturday, and on Wednesday Mr. Frank Vosper will present *Debonair*, which he has written in collaboration with Miss G. B. Stern. The principal parts will be played by Miss Celia Johnson, Miss Mary Jerrold, Miss Kate Cutler, Miss Diana Wilson, Mr. Frank Vosper, and Mr. Ernest Mainwaring. *The Lady of the Camellias* was withdrawn from the Garrick on Saturday, and will be at the Golders Green Hippodrome this week.

The Little Theatre will be reopened this afternoon, when the run of *Insult* will be resumed. Only one performance has been given so far owing to the sudden illness of Mr. David Horne, who plays one of the leading parts. Mr. Eille Norwood will now take his place until Mr. Horne is able to return.

When Mr. Lee Ephraim produces the new musical comedy *Heads Up!* at the Palace Theatre on May 1 the company will include Mr. Sydney Howard, Mr. Arthur Margetson, Miss Clarice Hardwicke, Mr. Cecil Humphreys, and Mr. Jack Hobbs.

At the Gate Theatre on Thursday Mr. Peter Godfrey and Mr. Charles Spencer are presenting *Oktobertag*, "a sophisticated comedy of modern French life," by Georg Kaiser.

On Friday the Players' Theatre will reopen with *The Severed Head*, a new play by Ralfe Davies. The period of the play is the French Revolution and two of the three acts are concerned with the thoughts passing through the brain of a French nobleman during the few seconds that precede the fall of the knife of the guillotine. Mr. Terence O'Brien is producing the play and Mr. Eugene Leahy will be seen as the nobleman.

At the Strand Theatre on May 11 the Repertory Players will present a new light comedy by Gordon Whitehead and Ann Stephenson, for which a title has not yet been chosen, and on the same day the R.A.D.A. Players are producing *The Light Comedian*, by Herman Ould, in which the principal parts will be played by Miss Marjory Clark, Miss Violet Farebrother, Miss Ursula Jeans, Mr. Aubrey Dexter, Mr. Reginald Gardiner, Mr. Antony Ireland, and Mr. Oliver Johnston.

Mr. Cochran is to produce a new *revue-operette* in London in October. Miss Jessie Matthews, Mr. Sonnie Hale, and Mr. Joe Cook will be included in the company. *Darling, I Love You* will be played for the hundredth time at the Gaiety this evening.

At the Coliseum this week the programme includes Mr. Keith Falkner, Mr. Albert Sandler, the Houston Sisters, Mr. Talbot O'Farrell, and Mr. Charles Hayes. On Friday evening there is to be a gala performance in honour of the Australian cricketers. At Maskelyne's Theatre Mr. Jasper Maskelyne presents 30 tricks and illusions within an hour.

ENGAGEMENTS THIS WEEK

TO-NIGHT.—*A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Old Vic; *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, Stratford-on-Avon.
TO-MORROW AFTERNOON.—*Hamlet*, Haymarket.
WEDNESDAY.—*Debonair*, Lyric.
THURSDAY.—*Oktobertag*, Gate.
FRIDAY.—*The Severed Head*, Players' Theatre.

THE ENGLISH CLASSICAL PLAYERS

NEW COMPANY TO TOUR THE CONTINENT

A company called the English Classical Players has been formed with the object of touring the Continent and presenting Shakespeare and other English dramatists before university and school audiences.

By arrangement with L'Office National des Universités et Ecoles Françaises, it will give performances in Paris early in June, and will tour the provinces later on in the year. It is also in communication with Finland, Germany, Holland, Sweden, and Czechoslovakia, in the hope of organizing tours through these countries. Before going to Paris the company is visiting English schools and colleges, opening at Slough Town Hall on May 9, then Tunbridge Wells May 12 to 19, and Eastbourne 19 to 24.

The present programmes, submitted to and approved by the University of Paris, are selective and based on the following plays:—*Macbeth*, *Hamlet*, *Julius Caesar*, *The Merchant of Venice*, *The School for Scandal*, and *She Stoops to Conquer*. The plays are being produced by Mr. Victor Lewisohn.

The players are six in number, four men and two women. Two of them have specialized in stage design, so that every care is taken to present the players in decorative costume and appropriate settings. The players carry their own curtains, framework, and switchboard, and will tour Europe in a motor-caravan.

MISS MARJORIE PERKINS AT THE AEOLIAN HALL

Miss Marjorie Perkins, who appeared at the Aeolian Hall last week, is a young singer with a soprano voice somewhat small in volume but of charming quality. With her unaffected manner of delivery she had no difficulty in pleasing her hearers in a number of familiar songs. She has something to acquire in general musicianship, more particularly in seeing that the expression does not interfere unduly with the rhythm of the phrases, for, after all, in the simpler type of lieder melody can be safely left to tell its own tale; but she certainly has a natural musical sense which colours the singing in an attractive manner and which will be of the greatest service when she has widened the style of her interpretations. The accompaniments were played by Mr. F. B. Kiddle.

EVERYMAN THEATRE

"GHOSTS"

BY HENRIK IBSEN

Regina Engstrand	MARY GREW
Jacob Engstrand	ALFRED CLARK
Pastor Manders	STANLEY HOWLETT
Mrs. Alving	SYBIL THORNDIKE
Oswald Alving	HUBERT LANGLEY

The part of Mrs. Alving is associated now with the performances of so many famous actresses, and has so often been used by them as a vehicle of their personal talents rather than as an expression of Ibsen's mind, that originality and simplicity of approach have become difficult virtues in the treatment of it. Difficult because whatever actress undertakes it is doubly beset—by the danger of imitation, and by the greater danger of being tempted to assume a deliberate freakishness of manner so that she may avoid a charge of having imitated. Genuine originality is not here a spectacular thing. It consists in allowing the known life of Mrs. Alving to be lived in the actress's imagination; in permitting her suffering, her self-accusation, her self-discovery to impress that imagination anew; and, finally, in communicating their effects to the audience with the humility of a woman who does not knowingly display, but under the compulsion of circumstance confesses, herself.

This, evidently, has been Miss Thorndike's aim and this is her achievement. It is improbable—the desire for spectacular acting being what it is—that her Mrs. Alving will be popularly regarded as being among her best performances; there will be complaints that she permits high theatrical opportunities to pass by too quietly. But if any should speak of this quietness, this grave and intense control, as a defect, there will be discerning playgoers enough to recognize it as a merit. The performance is a beautiful one with emotion in its depths that illumines the terrible tranquillity of its surface. It is, moreover, profoundly faithful to the play, neither twisting its significance nor distorting its proportion. Oswald Alving is given, as he is seldom given in the theatre, the place that is his, and Mr. Hubert Langley's study of that tormented and diseased mind is perceptive and clear, though his passages with Regina Engstrand are confused by the inability of Miss Mary Grew to justify either Mrs. Alving's half-affectionate tolerance of Regina or Oswald's fascinated submission to her. Regina was not a woman of all the virtues, but she had a brilliant and perilous grace, a smouldering vitality which are beyond Miss Grew's range. The absence of these qualities makes a conspicuous gap in a production which, though sometimes a trifle monotonous in its grouping, is otherwise admirable. Mr. Stanley Howlett, after a shaky opening, cleverly strikes a balance between the childishness and rigidity of Pastor Manders, and Mr. Alfred Clark, except when he falls to the temptation of overdoing a good thing, discovers with remarkable shrewdness a vein of comedy in Engstrand richer than any we had formerly supposed to exist in the part. And in *Ghosts*, which is so dark in spirit that it seems to be a tragedy played in a tomb, an authentic gleam of comedy is a gift for which to be thankful.

NEW GALLERY

"PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ"

The back stage "all talking-singing-dancing" films are beginning to have as rigid outlines and conventions as the modern detective novel. The heroes of them are, to a man, generous and courageous in failure, drunken and degenerate in success, and eventually won back to their better and more sober selves by the love of that girl to whom they clung when things were going wrong, whom they spurned when things were going right, and whom they realize how much they love when the producer comes to the conclusion that the time for the dramatic climax has come.

That is the convention, and the merits of the film must be judged, not by it, but by the twists and flourishes of the design inside its hard, unmalleable lines. *Puttin' on the Ritz*, a United Artists Picture, now showing at the New Gallery, is lifted above the average by the acting of Mr. Harry Richman as the hero, Mr. James Gleason as the hero's friend in weal and woe, and Miss Lilyan Tashman, and by one scene, a kind of *ballet* of Haarlem which shows what is all too rare on the films, a sense of the possibilities of the fantastic. Mr. Richman does something more than sing and dance—he acts with an unaffected sincerity, which makes his egotism as easy to believe in as his final humility. Miss Tashman's acting is a joy to those who like a certain breadth and humanity in their humour, but it was regrettable that Miss Joan Bennett, who, as an actress, is rather unsympathetic and stiff, should not have been given more opportunities to sing. Her voice was one of the most attractive things in the whole film.

HYDE PARK CARILLON

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

The Wellington War Memorial Carillon was heard by thousands of Londoners and visitors from the country in Hyde Park yesterday. The crowd gathered round the tower under umbrellas during the heavy rain to listen to the afternoon recital. The programme included Easter hymns.

The following times and programmes of to-day's recitals to be given by Mr. Clifford Ball are announced by the *Daily Sketch*:—

12 to 12.25 p.m.—"Come Lasses and Lads," "Men of Harlech," "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," "Poor Old Joe," "Minuet" (Beethoven).
4 to 4.25 p.m.—"When other Lips," "Blue Bells of Scotland," "In an Old-fashioned Town," "Old Folks at Home," "Melody in F" (Rubinstein).
8 to 8.25 p.m.—"Passing by" (Purcell), "Ye Banks and Braes," "Hindu Song," "Somewhere a Voice is Calling," "Love's Old Sweet Song."

To-morrow's programmes will be given at the same times.

PRIMROSE DAY

PROCESSION TO BEACONSFIELD STATUE

The anniversary of the death of Lord Beaconsfield falling this year during the Easter holiday, there was no formal pilgrimage on Saturday to the statesman's grave at Hughenden. There was, however, the usual procession of members of the Primrose League to Parliament-square, Westminster, where the Beaconsfield statue was decorated with primroses.

The procession, in which about 900 delegates, members of the Primrose League, took part, was marshalled on the Thames Embankment and marched to Parliament-square headed by a band. A large number of habitations, Beaconsfield and junior branches of the League were represented, including:—

Shepherds Bush, Edridge (Thornton Heath), Tottenham (Howard) Senior Habitation, Heston-Hounslow, Randolph Churchill (Paddington), Mortlake and East Sheen, Herne Hill and West Norwood, Empire and Fulham, Iddesleigh (Clapham) Senior Habitation, Grantham Dames, Hambro (Carshalton), Greenwich, Balham and Tooting, Tottenham (Howard) Juniors, S.E. St. Pancras, Wood Green, Marylebone, Richmond (Surrey), Sydenham, Greenwich, Roehampton, Iddesleigh (Clapham) Juniors, Heston-Hounslow (Juniors), and Westminster.

Wreaths were also laid on the statue by Sir Reginald Bennett (secretary), representing the Grand Council, and Mr. George Arliss.

Wreaths were laid upon Lord Beaconsfield's grave at Hughenden by Major Coningsby Disraeli (representing Grand Council) and Mrs. Disraeli (representing Ladies' Grand Council). The ceremony was attended by a deputation from the Primrose League consisting of Sir Reginald Bennett (secretary), Lady Bennett, and Mr. W. Ashwood (Political Department). There were several other floral tokens, including one from Newquay, Cornwall.

The Broadcasting Programmes for to-day and Broadcasting Notes will be found on page 6.

THE LYRIC THEATRE, HAMMERSMITH

"SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER"

BY OLIVER GOLDSMITH

Sir Charles Marlow	CECIL BROOKING
Young Marlow	ERIC PORTMAN
Hardcastle	GEORGE MERRITT
Hastings	RICHARD CALDICOT
Tony Lumpkin	NIGEL PLAYFAIR
Diggory	LESLIE HOLLAND
Mrs. Hardcastle	RENÉE DE VAUX
Miss Hardcastle	LYDIA SHERWOOD
Miss Neville	YVONNE RORIE

Those who simply must be assured of good entertainment before they set out for the theatre will thank Sir Nigel Playfair for so shrewdly humouring their weakness. He is going for a season to revive those productions which during his 12 years of management at Hammersmith have most pleased the town. The season opened on Saturday night with *She Stoops to Conquer*, and a cheerful opening it was. This particular production should have disappointed nobody, it was so charming, it was so gay, it was so full of spirit. At first it may possibly have disconcerted any who had not before seen the highly decorative mood appropriate to Congreve or Sheridan imposing itself on the easy and good-natured comedy of Goldsmith. But the necessary concessions to the temperament of Sir Nigel Playfair were not hard to make, and before the evening ended the whole audience seemed to have adjusted its vision very comfortably to the requirements of that clear and consistent though strangely formal mirror which an admirable cast upheld.

Except for Sir Nigel's rich and lively Tony Lumpkin and Miss De Vaux's extravagant and, in the scene of her discomfiture, extremely effective Mrs. Hardcastle, the cast was new. Miss Lydia Sherwood's Miss Hardcastle was of the country, and the comedy was all the better for it. Having dispensed with the town-bred airs and graces sometimes considered necessary to the part, she was able to display a most resourceful talent for the conquest of men without aid from dress. She sang the song restored to the text by Sir Nigel with delightful effect. Mr. Eric Portman was an entirely admirable Marlow with the most natural stammer in the world, and Mr. George Merritt a Hardcastle full of sly tricks and grave drollery. Some of the minor parts were given performances of high promise, and we particularly liked Miss Yvonne Rorie's quietly humorous sketch of Miss Neville.

In brief, a revival which, though lacking some of the brilliance of the original production, has high merit and—unless we fasten on the flatness of Hardcastle's scene with his four awkward servants—no serious fault.

THE SALE ROOM

AUTOGRAPH MANUSCRIPTS

Among the miscellaneous properties of the four-day sale of books and manuscripts at Sotheby's last week the autograph manuscript of 24 lines from P. B. Shelley's "The Revolt of Islam," on two quarto pages, brought £660 (W. Hill). The series of autograph letters, &c., of Lieutenant-Colonel G. Le Mesurier Gretton included a letter from Shelley to Lord Byron, Venice, October 17, 1818, one page—£215 (G. Wells), and an autograph verse of Lord Byron, written on the back of a chemist's advertisement—£50 (Huggins); in another property were two autograph manuscripts of Byron, one containing three 12-line stanzas, £90, and the other stanzas clxvi. and clxviii. of the first canto of "Don Juan"—£65 (both bought by Mr. Spencer). Other lots included an autograph Memorandum Book of Dr. Johnson, 16 leaves, dated October 31, 1784—£30 (G. Wells); a letter from James Boswell to Isaac Reed, April 12, 1790, written while at work on his "Life" of Johnson—£62 (G. Wells); autograph manuscript verses of Hester Lynch Piozzi on portraits in the Thrale Library, 10 pages—£82 (Quaritch); and two fine letters of George Washington, one to his brother, Colonel Samuel Washington, July 28, 1772, one page, £38 (Borman), and the other a business letter to Archibald McClean, August 6, 1798, regarding the lease of one of his farms—£135 (Huggins).

A selection from the library at Elsham Hall, Brigg, sold by order of Sir Francis Astley Corbett, 126 lots, totalled £1,747. The chief items were a fine and clean copy of the first edition of Oliver Goldsmith's "Vicar of Wakefield," 1766, in the original calf gilt—£660 (Maggs); Lord Chesterfield, "Letters to his Son," 1774, a fine and uncut copy of the first edition in the original boards—£220; S. Johnson, "The Prince of Abissinia," 1789, first edition—£50 (both bought by Elkin Mathews); T. Smollett, "Peregrine Pickle," 1751, first edition—£90 (Pickering); and H. Walpole, "The Castle of Otranto," 1765, first edition—£72 (Quaritch).

OLD SILVER

Hurcomb's sale at Calder House, Piccadilly, on Thursday included a pair of George III. two-light candelabra 83oz., which realized £140 (Schwerzee); a George II. circular tray, 119oz., at 22s.—£130 18s. (R. Davis); a George II. 1733 plain Scotch bullet teapot, 19oz.—£79 (Burfitt); and a pair of George III. plain sauce boats, 24½oz., at 41s.—£50 4s. 6d. (Crichton).

ENGRAVINGS AND PICTURES

Early English engravings, sporting prints, and original etchings realized £3,980 at Christie's on Wednesday. Among the etchings two by Anders L. Zorn—"Dagmar" and "Cercles d'eau"—fetched 48 guineas and 38 guineas (both bought by McDonald); Tewkesbury Abbey, by Sir D. Y. Cameron—125 guineas (Ross), and Dinant, by the same artist—60 guineas (Colnaghi). The sporting prints included a set of four fox-hunting scenes in colours, after H. Alken, by H. Alken and G. Hunt—240 guineas; another set of four fox-hunting scenes, after G. Morland, by E. Bell—180 guineas (both bought by W. Sabin); the Leicestershire Covers, after H. Alken, by T. Sutherland—a set of four—230 guineas (F. Sabin). Among the other colour prints were:—Hyde Park Corner, after J. Pollard, by R. and C. Rosenberg—130 guineas; the Elephant and Castle on the Brighton Road, after J. Pollard, by T. Fielding—135 guineas; North Country Mails at the Peacock, Islington, after J. Pollard, by T. Sutherland—100 guineas (all three bought by Messrs. Ackermann); West Country Mails at the Gloucester Coffee House, Piccadilly, after J. Pollard, by C. Rosenberg—80 guineas; and the Leicestershire, after J. Dean Paul—a set of four—120 guineas (both bought by Messrs. Agnew).

Among the paintings and prints at Hurcomb's, Calder House, Piccadilly, last week, three aquatints in colours of the engagement between H.M frigate Java and the American frigate Constitution, after N. Pocock, by R. and D. Havell, fetched £300; a portrait of Francis Moore and his son James, standing in a landscape beneath a tree, 33in. by 26in., by J. Zoffany—£200 (both bought by Sabin); and a portrait of Mr. Sharpe on a bay horse, with hounds, by R. B. Davies—£165 (Ellis).

Messrs. Winkworth and Co. (48, Curzon-street, W.) sold at 25, Bruton-street, by order of Theresa Lady Montgomery, a Queen Anne walnut settee, which fetched £510 (M. Harris); a Chippendale bookcase—590 guineas (Amor); a Chippendale side table—245 guineas (M. Harris); a George I. stool—£135 (Staal); an eighteenth-century card table—£200 (M. Harris); a William and Mary silver bowl, sold at £17 per oz., totalling £533 16s. (Reginald Davis); and a Chinese coromandel wood screen—£530 (M. Harris).

At Croydon, Messrs. Stewart Klitz and Co., 128, George-street, sold a set of six Chippendale mahogany chairs for 100 guineas.

CAMBRIDGE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

Messiah was given by the Cambridge Philharmonic Society in the Guildhall on Good Friday, after an interval of 10 years. This society is composed of some 200 residents in Cambridge, and this year has seen the introduction of an orchestra numbering 30 or more local players. The Guildhall was packed. The soloists were all local singers and the conductor was the Rev. B. Dennis-Jones, Precentor of Trinity College, Cambridge. A remarkably fine performance was given, and the chorus work was of fine tone, quality, and power.

NEW POSTAGE STAMPS

ISSUE TO COMMEMORATE A TERCENTENARY

As many as 25,000,000 copies are said to have been printed of a special 2 cents postage stamp issued by the United States Post Office on April 8 in commemoration of the tercentenary of the founding of the Massachusetts Bay Colony by Governor John Winthrop in 1630. The design of the stamp shows in the centre a reproduction of the colonial seal, with the figure of an Indian holding a bow in his left hand and in his right an arrow, while on either side of the figure is a small palm tree. A Latin inscription runs round the oval frame, and the words "Massachusetts Bay Colony" appear at the top of the stamp. Acanthus leaf brackets occupy the upper spandrels, and the dates "1630-1930" the lower ones.

The designs approved by the Postmaster-General of the U.S.A. for the three particular postage stamps shortly to be issued for use on mail to be dispatched by the airship Graf Zeppelin on her Pan-American cruise next month consist, in the case of the 65 cents denomination, of a picture of the dirigible flying eastward across the Atlantic. This stamp, printed in green, will frank postcards mailed from the U.S.A. to Friedrichshaven *via* Seville.

The $1.30 stamp, printed in brown with a vignette of the airship travelling in a westerly direction and a partial outline of the eastern and western continents on either side of the stamp, is intended for use on postcards carried on the round trip from New York to Friedrichshaven by steamer and thence *via* Pernambuco and Rio de Janeiro back to Lakehurst (N.J.), or alternatively to prepay letters carried on the last stage of the journey from New York to Friedrichshaven, *via* Seville. The $2.60 rate, for which the special stamp is printed in blue with a picture of the Zeppelin emerging from the clouds and passing a globe representing the world, from east to west, will apply to round trip letters. It was expected that these stamps would be available to the public in America on or about April 18.

SURCHARGING IN CHINA

After having produced her own national postage stamps over a period of 15 years, China has just placed a contract with a London firm of stamp engravers for a complete new issue. Meanwhile the supply of 1 cent stamps has run short and to meet the deficiency a quantity of the companion 3 cents value has been converted into an emergency 1 cent issue by surcharging in red English and Chinese characters.

In connexion with the holding in Havana of the second Central American Games meeting between March 15 and April 5 postage stamps of special design were issued by the Cuban Post Office showing an athlete clearing a hurdle, with a view of a stadium in the background. Finely printed by the line-engraved process they comprise 1 centavo green, 2c. red, 5c. blue, 10c. brown, and 20c. violet. The total issue amounts to 50,000 sets only.

The latest addition to the world's air post stamps comes in the form of a 2,000 reis stamp of Brazil, recess printed in deep green with a portrait of the Brazilian priest Father Bartholomew de Gusmao, who invented an aerostat as far back as August, 1709, and was thus one of the earliest pioneers of aviation. The monument erected to his memory figures in the design of the 50 reis value of the same series.

The recent invasion of Transjordan by hordes of locusts having imposed a serious strain upon the financial resources of that country, at present at rather a low ebb, an effort is being made to raise the necessary funds for combating the evil through the sale of a special issue of postage stamps. This takes the form of the contemporary Transjordan stamps from 2 milliemes to 500 mil. expressly overprinted in Cairo with the words "Locust Campaign." The locust stamps are to remain on sale for a period of two months only—namely, from April 1 to May 30—and it is hoped by this means not only to raise a considerable sum of money from philatelists and others, but also to encourage the natives to renewed efforts in fighting the plague.

The famous Spanish painter Goya, together with some of his most celebrated works, will be depicted upon a series of Goya commemoration stamps which is to be issued by the Spanish Post Office in connexion with a "Goya Week" at the Seville Exhibition, where a number of his masterpieces are on view. The issue will consist of 14 values ranging from 1 centimo to 10 pesetas.

WARSHIPS AT SEASIDE RESORTS

SUMMER PROGRAMME OF ATLANTIC FLEET

During the summer programme of the Atlantic Fleet, which lasts from April 28 to July 20, visits will be paid, as has been customary in late years, to a number of seaside resorts. Over a score figure in the list, and the types of vessel which may be seen include battleships, battle-cruisers, cruisers, and destroyers, but not submarines, since no vessels of this class are attached permanently to the Atlantic Fleet. The cruisers will include the two latest ships, the Norfolk, of 10,000 tons, and the York, of 8,400 tons. Many thousands of holiday-makers are certain to take advantage of the opportunity to see the vessels. The following is a list of the places other than the regular naval ports and anchorages which they are to visit:—

ABERYSTWYTH.—Renown and Repulse, July 5-10.
AVONMOUTH.—18th Sub-Division, Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, June 23-28.
BANGOR, NORTH WALES.—Renown, Tetrarch, and Sesame, June 24-30.
BLACKPOOL or DOUGLAS.—Tiger, July 1-7.
BARROW-IN-FURNESS.—9th Division, Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, June 29-July 4.
BOURNEMOUTH.—Centaur, July 19-22.
BRISTOL.—17th Sub-Division, Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, June 23-28.
BRIGHTON.—York, July 8-14.
BUNCRANA, Co. DONEGAL.—Tiger, June 24-30.
CROMER.—Norfolk, July 3-8.
DEAL.—Barham, July 1-7.
DOVER.—Tetrarch and part of Sixth Destroyer Flotilla, July 19-21.
EASTBOURNE.—Barham and Malaya, July 7-11.
FALMOUTH.—Nelson, Barham, Malaya, Renown, Repulse, Tiger, July 11-18.
FOLKESTONE.—Repulse, July 19-22.
GREAT YARMOUTH.—Norfolk, July 8-14.
GRIMSBY.—Hawkins and Frobisher, July 3-7.
HARTLEPOOL.—York, July 3-7.
HASTINGS.—Hawkins and Frobisher, July 8-14.
LLANDUDNO.—Tiger, July 7-10.
LIVERPOOL.—Renown, June 30-July 7.
MARGATE.—Malaya, July 1-7.
MILFORD HAVEN.—Renown, Tiger, Tetrarch, Sesame, and Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, June 9-23.
MORECAMBE and HEYSHAM.—19th Sub-Division, Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, June 29-July 4.
NEWCASTLE, Co. DOWN.—Repulse, June 24-28.
PENZANCE.—Renown, Tiger, July 18-22.
PORTRUSH.—Rodney, June 9-16.
RAMSEY, I. OF M.—Wallace and part of Fifth Destroyer Flotilla.
ROTHESAY.—Rodney, June 16-21.
ST. IVES.—Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, July 5-8; Tetrarch and Sesame, July 7-11.
ST. PETER PORT, GUERNSEY.—Nelson, July 2-10.
SCARBOROUGH.—Nelson, June 20-30; Barham and Malaya, June 24-30.
SEATON.—Barham, July 18-22.
STONEHAVEN.—Malaya, June 20-23.
SWANAGE.—Sesame, July 19-22; part of Sixth Destroyer Flotilla, July 19-21.
SWANSEA.—Wallace and 10th Division, Fifth Destroyer Flotilla, June 23-28.
TORQUAY.—Nelson, July 18-22.

Of the ships in the above list, the Nelson and Rodney are battleships of the latest type, and the Barham and Malaya older battleships, with War service. The Renown, Repulse, and Tiger are battle-cruisers which took part in the War. The Hawkins and Frobisher are cruisers of War design, but not completed until after the Armistice, and the Norfolk and York are newly completed. All the other vessels mentioned are destroyers, the Tetrarch and Sesame being employed in attendance upon the aircraft-carriers, and the others belonging to the Fifth or Sixth Flotillas.

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THEATRES

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APOLLO. 8.30. Thurs., Sat., 2.30. Ger. 6970. *ALMOST A HONEYMOON.* A Farcical Comedy by WALTER ELLIS.

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COURT. (Sloane 5137.) Pop. Prices, Evgs., 8.15. *"MISALLIANCE."* By BERNARD SHAW. Mats., Thurs., Sat., 2.30. Esme Percy. Rosalinde Fuller. IRENE VANBRUGH.

CRITERION. (Ger. 3844.) THIS WEEK only. EVENINGS, 8.30. Mats., THURS. & SAT., 2.30. *"A DOLL'S HOUSE."* By Henrik Ibsen. "MISS GWEN FFRANGCON-DAVIES'S NORA IS ONE THAT WILL BE MEMORABLE IN THE HISTORY OF THE PART."—*The Times.*

DALY'S. (Ger. 0201.) 8.30. Mats., Wed., Sat., 2.30. BASIL FOSTER and TOM MILLER present *"A SONG OF SIXPENCE."* By IAN HAY and GUY BOLTON.

DOMINION, Tottenham Court-rd. Mus. 2176. TO-DAY, 2.30 & 8.15. MATS., WED. & SAT., 2.30. EXTRA MATINEE TO-DAY, at 2.30. THE ROMANTIC MUSICAL COMEDY *SILVER WINGS.* HARRY WELCHMAN, LUPINO LANE, DENNIS HOEY, DONALD MATHER, DESIREE ELLINGER, EMMA HAIG. ALL SEATS BOOKABLE. 2s. to 8s. 6d. PLUS TAX.

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DUKE OF YORK'S. Props.: Willhut, Ltd. (Smoking.) EVGS., 8.30. MATS., Wed., Sat., 2.30. SPECIAL MATINEE TO-DAY, at 2.30. *SUSPENSE.* By Patrick MacGill. GORDON HARKER, SIDNEY MORGAN, OSWALD DALE ROBERTS, ALGERNON WEST, ROLAND CULVER, VINCENT HOLMAN, ROBERT DOUGLAS. The Play Produced by Reginald Denham.

EVERYMAN. SYBIL THORNDIKE in *"GHOSTS,"* by Ibsen. Evgs., 8.15. Thurs. & Sat., 2.30. Hamp. 7224.

FORTUNE. (Temple Bar 7373.) EVGS., 8.30. MATS., THURS. & SAT., 2.30. TOM WALLS presents *"CAPE FORLORN."* By Frank Harvey.

GAIETY. Tem. Bar 6991. NIGHTLY, at 8.15. Mats., Tues. and Fri., 2.30. *"DARLING, I LOVE YOU."* A New Musical Play, with GEORGE CLARKE.

GLOBE. Gerrard 8724. NIGHTLY, 8.40. MATS., WED. and SAT., 2.30. MAURICE BROWNE presents *"B. J. ONE."* By Commander Stephen King-Hall. "SPELL-BINDING."—*Evening News.*

HAYMARKET. Evgs., 8.30. Wed., Sat., 2.30. *THE FIRST MRS. FRASER.* A Comedy by ST. JOHN ERVINE. MARIE TEMPEST and HENRY AINLEY.

HIPPODROME, LONDON. (Ger. 0648.) EVGS., 8.30. Mats., Mons., Weds., & Sats., 2.30. TO-DAY (EASTER MONDAY), at 2.30. *"THE CO-OPTIMISTS OF 1930."* "VERY MUCH THE BEST ENTERTAINMENT THE CO-OPS HAVE YET GIVEN."—*Daily Mail.*

HIS MAJESTY'S. Proprietor: Joseph Benson. Licensee: W. C. Gaunt. Evgs., 8.30. Mats., To-day, Wed. and Sat., 2.30. CHARLES B. COCHRAN'S Production. *"BITTER SWEET."* An Operette by NOEL COWARD.

LITTLE. (Tem. Bar 6501.) TO-DAY, 2.30, 8.30. Mats., TO-DAY, and Wed., Fri., 2.30. *INSULT.* "JAN FABRICIUS IS AN AUTHOR OF WHOM WE SHOULD KNOW MORE IN ENGLAND."—Hannen Swaffer, *Daily Express.*

LONDON PAVILION. NIGHTLY, at 8.15. Mats., TO-DAY, Tues., and Thurs., 2.30. CHARLES B. *COCHRAN'S 1930 REVUE.*

LYCEUM. NIGHTLY, at 8.15. *THE CALENDAR.* Edgar Wallace's Great Racing Play. Matinees, TO-DAY, Wed. & Thurs., at 2.30. Temple Bar 7617. MARGARET BANNERMAN. ALFRED DRAYTON.

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NEW. 8.30. To-day, Thurs., & Sat., 2.30. By arrangement with Miss MARY MOORE, Mrs. CHARLES B. COCHRAN presents *"NINE TILL SIX."* A Play by Aimée and Philip Stuart.

PICCADILLY. (Reg. 4506.) Opp. Regent Palace Hotel. TO-DAY, 2.30 & 8.15. MATS., WED. and SAT., 2.30. EXTRA MATINEE TO-DAY, 2.30. A JULIAN WYLIE Production. *"HERE COMES THE BRIDE."* "THE BEST MUSICAL COMEDY."—Hannen Swaffer. CLIFFORD MOLLISON, EDMUND GWENN, JEAN COLIN, RICHARD DOLMAN, Vera Bryer, Maria Minetti, Albert Brouett.

PRINCE EDWARD. (Off Cambridge-circus.) NIGHTLY, at 8.15. MATS., WED. & SAT., 2.30. *RIO RITA.* A ROMANTIC MUSICAL PLAY with EDITH DAY. GEOFFREY GWYTHER, BERNARD NEDELL, LESLIE SARONY, RITA PAGE, GEORGE GEE. Box-Office Open 10 till 10. (Smoking.) Regent 1527.

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THEATRES (continued)

QUEEN'S. 8.15. To-day, Wed., & Sat., 2.30. *THE APPLE CART.* By BERNARD SHAW. EDITH EVANS. CEDRIC HARDWICKE.

ROYALTY. Evgs., 8.30. Thurs., Sats., 2.30. By arrangement with Dennis Eadie, Ltd., KYRLE BELLEW presents DOE DOE GREEN in *"APPEARANCES."* A Play by Garland Anderson. (Ger. 2690.) "THE HOUSE ROCKED WITH LAUGHTER."

ST. JAMES'S. (Ger. 3903.) 8.30. Wed., Sat., 2.30. *MICHAEL AND MARY.* By A. A. MILNE. EDNA BEST. HERBERT MARSHALL. Frank Lawton, Margaret Scudamore, Reginald Bach, J. Fisher-White, D. A. Clarke-Smith.

ST. MARTIN'S. EVGS., 8.30. Tues., Fri., 2.30. *HONOURS EASY.* NORMAN McKINNEL. ALLAN AYNESWORTH. Diana Wynyard. Morton Selten. Robert Holmes.

SAVOY. 8.15. Mon., Sat., 2.30. Tem. Bar 8888. Props.: Savoy Theatre, Ltd. Lessors: Exc. of H. B. Irving. Lessees: Charles Egerton Killick & Victor Payne-Jennings. ROBERT COURTNEIDGE'S production of *THE DAMASK ROSE.* A Musical Romance based on the themes of CHOPIN.

SHAFTESBURY. Prop., J. Benson. Smoking. (Ger. 6666.) 2.30, 8.30. Mats., Thurs. and Sat., 2.30. EXTRA MATINEE TO-DAY, at 2.30. BASIL FOSTER and TOM MILLER present *"THE MIDDLE WATCH."* By IAN HAY and STEPHEN KING-HALL.

THE OLD VIC. Hop 3424. TO-NIGHT, 7.30. *A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM.* Wed., 7.30. Shakespeare Birthday Festival.

VAUDEVILLE. (Tem. 4871.) 2.30 & 8.30. *DOWN OUR STREET.* NANCY PRICE. MORRIS HARVEY. MILTON ROSMER. Mat., TO-DAY, at 2.30, and every Mon., Sat.

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SHAKESPEARE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL. STRATFORD-UPON-AVON, April 21 to May 24, 1930. Nightly, at 8. Mats., Wed., Sat., 2.30. Details from W. H. Savery, 07, Regent-street, W.1. (GERRARD 6941.)

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COLISEUM, Charing Cross. (Tem. Bar 3161.) THREE TIMES DAILY, 2.15, 5.15, 8.15. KEITH FALKNER; ALBERT SANDLER TRIO; HOUSTON SISTERS; "BEAUTY and DANCE" featuring THE GLORIOUS 62 GIRL DANCERS; TALBOT O'FARRELL; CHARLES HAYES; NAT MILLS & BOBBIE; LUCIENNE & ASHOUR HOCKNEY; OSBORNE & PERRYER; MICKEY MOUSE IN "WILD WAVES"; BRITISH MOVIETONE NEWS. GIBSON YOUNG. Managing Director: Sir OSWALD STOLL.

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ALHAMBRA. British International Talk, Song, Dance, Colour Film, "HARMONY HEAVEN." Continuous 12 noon. Also "SUCH THINGS HAPPEN."

ASTORIA. Gerr. 5528. Ralph Lynn and Tom Walls in "ROOKERY NOOK" (All-Talking, All-Laughing). At 12.45, 3.45, 6.40, 9.45. Also Gaumont Sound News.

CAPITOL. Reg. 4455. 12-11. Elinor Glyn's "SUCH MEN ARE DANGEROUS" (All-Talking) with Warner Baxter. 12.10, 2.30, 4.50, 7.10, 9.30. Gaumont Sound News.

CARLTON, Haymarket. Must finish in 16 days. Maurice Chevalier in "THE LOVE PARADE." Paramount's All-Talking Singing Success! with Jeanette MacDonald, Lupino Lane. To-day & Daily, 2.45, 6 o'clock, 8.45. "L. Parade" starts 3.15, 6.30, 9.15. Suns., 6 o'clock, 8.45. Bookable from 2s. 4d. Reg. 2211. Coming! Dennis King in "The Vagabond King" All-Colour Talkie!

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NEW GALLERY, Gerr. 9805. "PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ"; the Different Musical Show, with Harry Richman; 2.20, 4.20, 6.50, 9.15. Also British Movietone News.

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REGAL, Marble Arch. Dly. at 1.50, 4.30, 7.0 & 9.30. Lupe Velez and Jean Hersholt in "HELL HARBOUR." Padd. 9911.

SCALA, W.1. Last 6 days. At 6 and 8.45. PUDOVKIN'S Mighty Russian Film, "THE END OF ST. PETERSBURG." Also "DRIFTERS," Britain's North Sea Epic.

STOLL PICTURE THEATRE, Kingsway. Daily from 12.15. 'Phone, Holborn 3703. Easter Gala Talkie Prog. CLARA BOW in "Dangerous Curves"; "Three Live Ghosts"; Mickey Mouse; Easter Gala Stage Presentation.

TIVOLI. Temple Bar 5222. Continuous Performance. The Film of "JOURNEY'S END" (All-Talking). 1.15, 4, 6.40, 9.20. Sessions: 12.30, 3.15, 5.55, 8.35. 1,000 seats at 1s. 6d. between 12-1 [illegible].

Imperial and Foreign News

KANCHENJUNGA

IN THE HIGH PASSES

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(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

DZONGRI, APRIL 19

At last we are at grips with things. We are on our way up to the Kang Pass, having come through Sikkim by way of the Pemayangtse Monastery, Tingling, the Kachoperi Monastery, and Yoksam, and up the Rangit Valley to Dzongri, at the head of the Dzongri Pass. We have pushed on from Dzongri and are resting in this valley, which leads to the Kang Pass, preparing to get over the pass in one day and so into Nepal.

I am writing this on April 15 in a tent pitched on a bed of dwarf rhododendrons. Outside is a roaring mountain torrent with stern dark rock walls on either hand. A few snowflakes are falling, and the bleak sky is tempered by a fugitive glimpse of the sun over Kang Pass, our

pass to-morrow. The air is pure, keen, and invigorating, coming from the snows, and compensating for the days of trudging through steamy tropical heat.

At Pemayangtse Monastery the lamas gave a dance. The monastery is situated on a broad ridge. The morning was perfect. Kabru and Kanchenjunga above the purple depths of the Rangit Valley forming a fitting background. A London music-hall would howl down the music, but here, amid the giant mountains and valleys, it is wonderfully appropriate. The long horn's thunderous note, the sullen drums, the crashing cymbals, and a clarinet-like instrument wailing a dirge, carried one away from civilized life into the spirit of this weird and wonderful mountain land. A devil dance, with the performers' richly embroidered clothes and fantastic headgears resembling domestic animals—fowls, horses, and cows—was most interesting. The lamas flung themselves about and finally worked themselves into a pitch almost of frenzy.

MONASTIC RULE

The monastic rule in Sikkim is similar to that of Tibet. If there are three sons two must enter a monastery, and if two sons, one. The other man presumably spends his life toiling to keep his lama brothers comfortable. The head lama, a fine man, with seamed, puckered face and deep-set intelligent eyes, kindly supplied porters in the place of our weaklings and sick, and also offered a special prayer for the expedition and promised fine weather. This was gladly proffered owing to Dr. Richter's present of medicines for his various complaints.

From Pemayangtse to Tingling was a short march, but fearfully hot. We camped for the first time. It was good being in a tent again, lying and watching the stars through the flaps. The camp was at the edge of a wheatfield near a little hamlet, Tingling standing on one of the few flat bits in Sikkim. Each man has his own tent and the flags of four nations flew from tent poles, resembling a Crusaders' camp.

One unfortunate incident occurred. A coolie went mad, running amok with a kukri, stabbing another coolie and trying to brain Smythe with a stone. We bound him hand and foot and sent for the police at Dentam and Gantok. The stabbed coolie was dangerously wounded below the heart, but under Dr. Richter's skilful attention it is hoped he will live. Dr. Richter also treated the lama of Pemayangtse, who followed us. The lama lay on the ground amid an admiring circle of coolies while Dr. Richter poured oil in his ear. From Tingling we climbed a ridge, where we were met by the lama band of the Kachoperi Monastery, who, hearing of our advent, rigged chintz-covered shelters where tea and bananas were dispensed. We wish we had not taken the tea.

We had a glimpse of Kanchenjunga framed in the blue walls of the Rangit Valley, with a plume of snow blown from the crest. As we watched, sweating, it was hard to realize that there was Arctic cold 22,000ft. above. We crossed a rickety bridge spanning the Rangit River and climbed to Yoksam, passing a jungle fire, where flames were leaping high among the bamboos, which exploded like guns. Camp was pitched in a rice-field amid leeches and other undesirables, but it was a pleasant evening, the coolies gathering around the Everest mess tent listening to the gramophone. They appreciate "Sunny Side Up" better than the overture to *Tannhäuser*. We, however, felt regret that the whisky and rum were with Wieland and Hannah, one march behind.

MARCH TO THE SNOWS

From Yoksam began a three days' march to the snows. The route follows the eastern side of the Rangit Valley, through dense primeval forest. The path is good from Darjeeling to Yoksam, but beyond Yoksam it degenerates into a mere narrow track, frequently involving the hacking away of vegetation and the making of detours around huge fallen trees—hard work for the porters. The forest shuts away the light as one walks through the gloomy aisles, oppressed with the damp and steamy odours of rottenness and decay. Great trees, maples and oaks, tower above, their branches interlaced with creepers hanging snake-like and seeming to menace travellers. Below is a tangle of rhododendron bushes and orchids. There is a sound of innumerable insects, while leeches and insect pests abound, particularly a large crab-like, poisonous tick which attacked us impartially.

We camped in a small glade amid moss-grown boulders, the porters sleeping out in the woods around fires, goblin-like on the steep slopes. The following day we pushed on, starting the long ascent to Dzongri. In the head of the Rangit Valley, with its steep sides thousands of feet high, one feels one has reached the end of the world. A heavy rainstorm, accompanied by thunder, raged all night, and at one time there seemed danger of the camp's being washed away. A large quantity of snow fell to 9,000ft., which is unusual at this time of the year. The ascent to Dzongri seems interminable—it is about 5,000ft. actually—from the tropical forest, through coniferous trees and corridors of rhododendrons. Soft snow drifted deeply in places, making heavy going for the porters.

We finally emerged on the plateau where stands Dzongri, consisting of two primitive huts exactly the same as when Freshfield visited it. We arrived in a heavy snowstorm, which continued all the night, with 9deg. of frost. Fortunately, the morning was clear, but a large number of porters were dispirited and refused to continue, creating a serious situation, which was ably taken in hand by Wood Johnson, who persuaded the majority to continue. From the present camp we hope to cross the Kang Pass one day into Nepal.

Members of the expedition suffered from the various complaints common in tropical valleys and forests, as well as stomach troubles, chills, and rheumatism, but now all are much better. Frau Dyhrenfurth is as fit as anyone and is usually among the first to finish the day's march.

NEPAL RULER'S LETTER

Professor Dyhrenfurth has received a very friendly letter from the Secretary to the Maharajah of Nepal, in reply to our request for permission to pass through his territory. The following is an extract:—

His Highness appreciates your remarks about the international character of the expedition, which has for its object the cementing of international friendship and good will among the countries concerned, coupled with the augmentation of human aesthetical and scientific knowledge, and desires me to inform you that he gladly accedes to your request. The Nepalese local authorities concerned are being ordered to permit the party the use of the routes mentioned in Nepalese territory.

His Highness hopes that the expedition will be a great success in every way, and sends you, as the worthy leader of the expeditionary party, the best wishes for that.

Two runners will be sent back at a time with all messages which we dispatch to the world. But from Nepal it will be more difficult to maintain communication, as the runners will have to go through very rough and complicated country, including the Kang Pass (18,280ft.), and something like 45,000ft. of climbing and 18 marches between the proposed base camp and Darjeeling.

THE MONARCHY IN SPAIN

MASS MEETING IN MADRID

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MADRID, APRIL 20

About 20,000 persons attended a monarchist meeting in the new bull ring this morning. Cries of "Long live the King" followed a statement by a member of the organizing committee that there was room for all national interests within the monarchy represented by King Alfonso—a reply to those who proclaimed that only a republic could guarantee certain liberties.

The first speaker, Señor Morillo Deva, a workman, said that King Alfonso was a model among labourers, for his Majesty worked far more than an eight-hour day for the nation's welfare, week in, week out. Should it be necessary, workers in their thousands were ready to support their King.

He was followed by the Marqués de Santa Cruz, president of the Council of Grandees, who said that the nobility, like the workers, were ready to do their duty. The Republican cause had failed in 1873, in spite of the fact that at that time it counted several eminent men among its leaders. Señor Doicoechea, a former Senator, developed this theme. The most dangerous enemies of the monarchy, he said, were not the Republicans but the Socialists, because their party was seriously organized and honestly led. Monarchy was the essence of Spanish life. It had built up the nation that had given birth to 20 other nations, and the people had always been its mainstay.

Finally Count Bugallal, the leader of the Conservative Party, made a speech which could not be heard. Thousands of persons left their seats and walked away, while Count Bugallal, a diminutive figure in the vast ring, continued to gesticulate. No disrespect was meant by the mass of departing monarchists. They will read the speech to-morrow in print.

Imposing measures were taken to ensure the maintenance of order. Squads of police armed with rifles were in position all along the main avenues, and troops of mounted police waited near at hand. There was not, however, the slightest attempt at a counter-demonstration. The orators made their speeches in perfect peace and the thousands of citizens assembled and dispersed in complete order.

RAID BY MOORISH TRIBESMEN

A THREE DAYS' PURSUIT

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS)

TANGIER, APRIL 20

The French Protectorate forces have broken up and practically destroyed a band of 200 Aithammu tribesmen who made a sudden raid into French occupied territory about 25 miles north of Bu Denib, the new headquarters base in south-east Morocco.

The raiders were pursued for three days in very difficult country, and only remnants succeeded in regaining the desert region whence they had come. The losses of the Protectorate troops were very small. This raid, however, proves the daring of the tribesmen, who do not hesitate to penetrate far into occupied country and attempt to cut the French lines of communication.

PARIS, APRIL 20

It is officially announced that the raid near Bu Denib (on the border between Morocco and Algeria) took place on April 14. All the units which have been organized under the new defensive scheme were set in motion and were led by Colonel Giraud. Aircraft took part in the pursuit. The French lost three native soldiers killed and 12 wounded.

THE THEFTS FROM MADRID NATIONAL LIBRARY

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

MADRID, APRIL 20

A number of valuable books stolen from the National Library in Madrid have been found by the police in a private house. Some of the books, which are of the sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth centuries and include several English works, have been mutilated, engravings having been torn out. Their discovery followed the recent finding in a Berlin antiquary's shop of 250 engravings, including some by Rembrandt and Durer, believed to belong to the Madrid National Library.

The loss of these books and engravings was noted last September. They were taken from the library between April, 1928, and September, 1929, and it was thought that they had been sent out of the country. Descriptions were communicated to the police in several foreign countries.

An attendant at the library has been arrested.

DEATH OF MR. CHARLES SCRIBNER

NEW YORK, April 20.—Mr. Charles Scribner, head of the firm of Charles Scribner's Sons, the publishers, has died from heart disease at the age of 76.

Mr. Scribner, who founded *Scribner's Magazine*, had been identified with Charles Scribner's Sons (founded by his father in 1846) since 1875. Mr. Scribner was born in New York and graduated at Princeton. He was a director of the National Park Bank.—*Exchange*.

U.S. DELEGATE ON NAVAL TREATY

THE CONTINGENT CLAUSE

In an address broadcast from London to America, over the National Broadcasting System, last night, Senator Robinson, one of the American delegates to the Naval Conference, summarized the results achieved and declared that it was clear that as a Five-Power enterprise the Conference had not been a complete success.

"The importance of this is not to be minimized," he said. "Unquestionably it would have been more satisfactory to have a treaty defining the programmes of France and Italy as well as those of Great Britain, the United States, and Japan. Efforts to negotiate a Five-Power arrangement were continued—perhaps they were unduly prolonged—finally resulting in a postponement of conclusions between the European Powers and participation by France and Italy in the provisions of the treaty, except those relating to the limitation of tonnages. The provisions in which all five Powers join, while less comprehensive than those entered into by the United States, Great Britain, and Japan, include the battleship holiday and the restriction on the use of submarines against merchant ships in time of war, which in themselves are achievements of magnitude and value."

Commenting on the rules dealing with the restriction on the use of submarines, Senator Robinson said: "The acceptance of these rules as international law may not prevent all abuses of the character denounced. Undoubtedly in time of war belligerents will be tempted to violate them. However great such temptations may prove, parties to future conflicts will be slow to challenge the resentment of mankind by ruthless destruction of merchant vessels, for such a course would invite results disastrous to the offender."

Senator Robinson pointed out that the limitations agreed to by the three Powers were accompanied by a contingent clause which provided that, if any one of the three felt its national security jeopardized by new naval construction of any Power whose auxiliary fleet had not been limited, it could notify the others what increase it required and the others could then make proportionate increases. He continued:—"It may be said in criticism that this clause permits a disturbance of the figures agreed to on the sole responsibility of either the United States, Great Britain, or Japan, and that if any one of the three adjudges it to be necessary to build in excess of the treaty programme this will increase the building of the other two. But even if this should happen the relations of the fleets and the principles of limitation would still be maintained.

"It should also be remembered that the limitation of armaments must proceed only through the voluntary action of nations, and that no Power can arbitrarily impose on another restrictions of the means of defence without assuming moral responsibility for its safety. It is of first importance that the limitation of armaments shall be regarded as increasing rather than diminishing the safety of peoples, and if emergencies, regarded as remote, but nevertheless as possible, arise, threatening immediate danger, a people should be free to respond to the requirements of their situation. Otherwise the fate of nations must for ever be bound up with the maintenance of large armaments and the imminence of war."

Senator Robinson also said that between 1922 and 1930 the building programme of the United States was much smaller than that of the other four Powers, and added:—"Our war tonnage is now becoming obsolescent and we are faced with the necessity of rebuilding much of the Navy. This treaty enables us to proceed with the task in an orderly manner and at a lower total tonnage than we have had in the past, in spite of the fact that we have built less than any other country represented at the Conference."

UKRAINIAN SEPARATISTS SENTENCED

A PURGE OF CENTROSOYUS

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

RIGA, APRIL 20

The trial of Ukrainian separatists, which began at Kharkoff on March 9, ended yesterday. Thirty-seven of the prisoners were sentenced to imprisonment with solitary confinement for periods varying from three to 10 years, and seven were banished from the Ukraine.

The prisoners included academicians, professors, doctors, members of cooperatives, and former members of Petliura's Government. They signed confessions saying that they were unable now to conceive what induced them to conspire against the Soviet Government, which was the best possible Government. The verdict declared that they merited death, but that, in view of these "pure-hearted" confessions and the assistance they had given in rounding up other enemies of the Soviet Government, it had been decided to forgo the exaction of the full penalty.

Rosalie Zemlyachka, an "Old Guard" Bolshevist, who was recently authorized to make a thorough purge of Centrosoyus, the union of Russian cooperative organizations, has reported progress to Comrade Peters, of the Ogpu and formerly of the Cheka, who is superintending the purging campaigns in 1930. Centrosoyus, she says, is, more than any other organization in the U.S.S.R., full of mentally alien elements. She has not yet completed her task, but has already dismissed or arrested 80 per cent. of the officials so far examined, censured 15 per cent., and passed only 5 per cent. She has also expressed her intention to dismiss about 2,000 more. Centrosoyus is neither a Government nor a Communist organization, but a voluntary society.

Zemlyachka was notorious for her cruelty as a political commissar during the Civil War.

The trial has begun of three employees of the Lena Goldfields Concessions—Kolyasnikoff, Muromiseff, and Ryadoff de Ribon—who are charged with economic and political espionage, and with attempts to wreck Soviet plans.

THE WAR ON LOCUSTS

TERMS OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT

The text of an agreement for the establishment of an International Bureau of Intelligence on Locusts, which was signed in Damascus in May, 1926, by representatives of Turkey, Iraq, Transjordan, Palestine, the Syrian State, and the French High Commissioner in Syria, has just been issued as a White Paper by H.M. Stationery Office (Cmd. 3542, price 2d.).

The agreement provides that the bureau shall have its headquarters at Damascus but shall be independent of the country in which these are situated, and shall communicate directly with the agricultural departments of the contracting States. Its main purpose is to co-ordinate and thereafter to transmit to the contracting States intelligence relating to the localities, the area and degree of infection of breeding grounds, stages of evolution of the pest, the known or probable movements of locusts, and the methods of control and combat. When necessary it will also submit proposals to the contracting States with a view to joint action.

The contracting States undertake to communicate urgently to the bureau all relevant information about locusts in their respective territories.

THE FRENCH FLOOD RELIEF FUND

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, APRIL 20

M. Marcel Héraud, Under-Secretary of State at the Prime Minister's office, who is in charge of relief for sufferers from the recent floods in the South of France, has decided to make a personal inspection of the distressed areas.

M. Héraud's tour will be undertaken partly in response to many complaints of the administration of the flood relief fund, which amounts to about £1,000,000. The distribution of relief was entrusted to the French Red Cross Society, but reports of maladministration have come in from the distressed areas, and the Prefects of the Departments concerned are believed to have recommended that the State should assume full responsibility for relief, and that the distribution of money and goods should be left in the hands of the local governing bodies.

According to Dr. Ingram, a member of Sir Douglas Mawson's scientific staff, the Discovery is returning to the Antarctic in November.

TURKESTAN TO SIBERIA

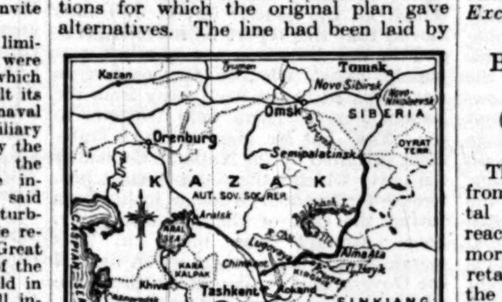
SOVIET RAILWAY COMPLETED

The last rails, joining the northern and southern sections of "Turk-Sib," the railway from Turkestan to Siberia which was begun in 1927, have now been laid. A special train left Moscow yesterday with officials and delegations who are to take part in the opening ceremony in a few days' time.

(FROM OUR RIGA CORRESPONDENT)

With the completion of "Turk-Sib" the Soviet authorities may be congratulated on achieving a work which is unquestionably of great economic importance to the people of Kazakstan, an autonomous Soviet Republic, stretching from the Caspian Sea to the Chinese frontier, with a population of about 6,000,000. By completing this line the Soviet Government has carried out the pre-War scheme of the Tsarist Government to link up the trans-Siberian Railway with the Orenburg-Tashkent line in Turkestan.

Much of the preliminary work was finished before the War, including the surveying in detail and marking out of the route, except for two or three short sections for which the original plan gave alternatives. The line had been laid by



the Imperial Government from the Tashkent railway nearly to Pishpek (now called Frunze), in the south, and from Novo-Nikolaevsk in the north as far as Semipalatinsk. The route planned between these two points covered a distance of between 900 and 1,000 miles. The Soviet authorities finally decided to continue the line towards Alma-Ata (formerly called Vyernyi) and Semipalatinsk from Lugovaya, a point about 100 miles to the west of Frunze (Pishpek) and thus circumvent some difficult highlands. Frunze is thus south of the new railway at the present terminus of a short branch line, the construction of which is being continued towards Lake Issyk Kul.

TRANSPORT OF GRAIN

The line was originally called "The Semirechinsk Railway," and this name was retained at first by the Soviet Government, but has now been discarded in favour of "Turkestan-Siberian Railway," which is generally shortened to "Turk-Sib." One of the immediate purposes of the line is to enable the direct transport of grain from Siberia to the cotton fields of Turkestan, where the fluctuation of food supplies has hitherto retarded the development of cotton-growing. There are at present about 1,500,000 acres under cotton in Turkestan, but the plans of the Government include great irrigation schemes and the extension of the cotton area to about 7,413,000 acres. About three-quarters of the irrigation work along the River Chu had been finished before the Revolution. After partial destruction it has since been restored, but the Soviet plans aim at complete "cotton independence" and the reduction to a minimum of cotton imports from Egypt and America. Rice growing is also to be developed on a large scale.

The railway will also develop traffic in cattle, sheep, hides, wool, horsehair, fish, tobacco, and sugar by helping them to reach European markets. The Soviet plans for this territory also embrace a development of the opium industry and the production of home-grown rubber. Much advertisement has been given during the last year to a wild shrub, rich in caoutchouc latex, which is said to grow wild in the deserts of Middle Asia, and the Soviet Government have started experimental plantations which they say are yielding good results. No satisfactory evidence has yet been brought forward, however, to show that the new rubber plant is of practical commercial value. The Soviet Press also says that the railway will be vastly important for trade with Western China and Mongolia.

"IN THE ROUGH"

The construction of the railway did not entail any great engineering feat, but the Irtysh river (at Semipalatinsk) required a bridge 2,132ft. long, the River Ili one of 1,020ft., and in the Chokpar mountain pass much blasting had to be done. Much American machinery was used for excavation and other work. It is not known to what extent it was possible to use the machinery, tools, rails, and rolling stock which the old Russian Government had accumulated in great quantities at points along the line from Tashkent and at Semipalatinsk.

The rails are now linked up, but the line is still far from complete for any sort of regular traffic. There are long stretches where station buildings have not even been begun. Many of the bridges are only temporary, and the official Soviet reports point out that railway communication has been established "only in the rough." The work immediately north of the River Ili has in particular been carried out with great haste and is very imperfect. The order was issued some months ago that the junction must be made by May Day of this year, and this, at least, has been accomplished. Fresh orders have now been issued that the work be continued with unrelaxed intensity to enable the line to have an annual capacity of 1,500,000 tons by 1932, made up largely of grain and timber from Siberia.

The decree sanctioning the plans for this line was issued on December 3, 1926. Building operations were carried out under a board of directors, of which V. S. Shatoff was chairman, assisted by a special committee with a presidium of three: Ryskuloff, deputy chairman of the Soviet of People's Commissars of the R.S.F.S.R.; Khalatoff, member of the Collegium of the Commissariat of Communications; and Radchenko, deputy chairman of the Supreme Economic Council. The final cost is not yet known, but at different periods since 1926 the estimated cost has varied in official reports between 120,000,000 and 203,000,000 roubles (£12,600,000 and £21,900,000).

SIR JAMES O'GRADY

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

HOBART, APRIL 20

Sir James O'Grady, Governor of Tasmania, has made some progress towards recovery from the hemorrhage. Complications have, however, arisen from diabetes, from which he has previously suffered in a mild degree, but his strength is maintained.

GRAF ZEPPELIN'S NEXT FLIGHT

A LANDING AT CARDINGTON

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, APRIL 20

It is reported from Friedrichshafen that the Graf Zeppelin is to carry out a North Sea flight on Saturday next, April 26, and that she will break the journey by landing at Cardington, permission having been obtained from the British Government. The airship will leave Friedrichshafen in the early morning and reach Cardington in the afternoon. Dr. Eckener is stated to be at present in England, and it is expected that at Cardington he would take over the command from Lieutenant Lehmann, and bring the airship back to Friedrichshafen on Sunday.

This would be the first voluntary landing of a Zeppelin in England, although the Graf Zeppelin flew over Yarmouth at night during one of its first trial flights in October, 1928.

AUSTRALIA-ENGLAND FLIGHT

SYDNEY, April 20.—Mr. Smith and Mr. Shiers, who are attempting a flight to England, left Wyndham at 5.15 this morning for Bima (Dutch East Indies).—*Reuter*.

WYNDHAM, April 20.—Mr. Smith and Mr. Shiers have arrived at Bima.—*Exchange*.

BRITISH AIR PILOTS AT FRIEDRICHSHAFEN

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, APRIL 20

The remainder of the British party from Heston, who are making a Continental holiday tour in light aeroplanes, reached Cologne from Brussels yesterday morning, their arrival having been retarded by unfavourable weather. In the afternoon they flew on to Frankfurt-on-Main.

The proposed branch flight to the gliding school on the Wasserkuppe, 70 miles from Frankfurt, was given up on account of the weather. This morning the party flew to the Bobelingen Aerodrome, near Stuttgart, and visited the Klemm flying school there, afterwards going on to Friedrichshafen, on Lake Constance, the home of the Zeppelin airships and the Dornier flying-boats. They were welcomed by Herr von Schiller, one of the Zeppelin pilots, and arrangements had been made to take them over the Zeppelin works and to serve luncheon in the saloon of the Graf Zeppelin. A visit to the Dornier works, on the opposite side of the lake, where the Do.X was built, is planned for to-morrow. The party will leave afterwards for Munich.

AUTOMATIC AEROPLANE FLYING

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, APRIL 19.

During tests of automatic flying carried out in connexion with the annual manoeuvres of Army Air Corps in California, a large bombing aeroplane, weighing eight tons and carrying four persons, circled over San Francisco in rough weather for 20 minutes.

The machine was controlled entirely by "automatic gyropilots," and the human pilot was used only to take the machine into the air at Sacramento. Once in the air the whole business of flying the machine was left to the automatic device, which consists in the main of two gyroscopes. After flying over San Francisco the bomber, still undirected by the human pilot, returned to Sacramento at a speed of 115 miles an hour.

REDUCTIONS IN FRENCH TAXATION

BUSINESS BEFORE THE CHAMBER

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PARIS, APRIL 20

The Finance Committee of the Chamber yesterday received the explanatory statements of M. Tardieu and M. Paul Reynaud, Minister of Finance, with regard to the proposals for reducing the taxes on site values and financial operations. It was decided to recommend an extension of the proposals on the ground that the taxes could in some cases be still further reduced without loss to the Budget.

It was pointed out by members of the Committee that the yield of the taxes would in all probability be increased because the lowering of the percentage levied by the State on these transactions would have the effect of greatly increasing the volume of business and ultimately also the total revenue. The clause reducing the taxation on the income from non-registered foreign shares was left unchanged.

The Government hopes to adjourn the Chamber on Saturday until early in June. Only the Senate's Bill amending the social insurance scheme and the reductions in taxation remain to be considered. An attempt was made yesterday to postpone further consideration of the insurance scheme until after the recess, on the ground that the Chamber ought to debate so important a measure with all deliberation. On behalf of the Government, however, it was pointed out that very many of the clauses were purely administrative, others were not in dispute, and only on a few points had amendments been introduced. The proposal to adjourn, which was introduced by the professed opponents of State insurance, was defeated by 450 votes to 33.

The discussion of the oil monopoly contract has been postponed till the June Session, together with the proposal for allotting money for the improvement of the national economic equipment, which was the principal item in M. Tardieu's original programme. The Colonial Loan of 3,500,000,000f. for the further development of certain French Colonies has also been deferred for political and financial reasons.

EASTER IN JERUSALEM

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

JERUSALEM, APRIL 20

The complex ceremonies of the three faiths have been completed in the utmost peace. On Thursday and Friday the Nebi Musa pilgrims returned to Jerusalem, whence they dispersed to their own village without incidents.

Thousands of Jews on Saturday, the last day of Passover, went to the Wailing Wall. The Moslems did not perform the *Zikr* [a musical ceremony] and the new door in the Wailing Wall area leading to the Haram esh Sherif was kept closed, a guard of British police being present. The Holy Fire ceremony, despite densely packed crowds, passed off in orderly fashion.

The annual Easter Eve memorial service at the War cemetery on the Mount of Olives was conducted by the Anglican Bishop in the presence of Sir John Chancellor, the High Commissioner, and senior officials. Flowers were laid on the graves.

PARIS messages report that M. Louis Rolland, professor at the Paris School of Law and a member of the Chamber of Deputies, was knocked down by a motor-car on Friday night and seriously injured, his skull having been fractured.

RUMANIAN CHURCH BURNT

140 LIVES LOST

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BUCHAREST, APRIL 20

On Good Friday evening the village church of Cotesti, in the Arges district, was destroyed by a fire in which 140 persons perished and many others were injured.

The little church, built of wood and over 100 years old, was packed for the evening service. A wreath caught fire from a lighted candle held by one of the congregation, and in a few moments the church was filled with flame and smoke. The congregation, seized with fear, rushed for the exit, but the doors, which opened inwards, were closed by the weight of the crowd pressing against them, and the unfortunate people were trapped inside. A few people standing in a passage outside tried to push the doors open, but were unable to do so because of the pressure behind.

Help was sent for immediately, but as the church is some distance from the village, it arrived too late to be of any use. The fire brigade from Pitesti, which was urgently summoned by telephone, reached the church just as the roof fell in and buried the imprisoned congregation under a heavy mass of burning wood. Two hours later there remained nothing but the smouldering ruins of the church, from which over 140 charred bodies of men, women, and children were taken later.

The entire village is in mourning, and all but a few houses exhibit black draperies in sign of the loss of an inmate. Dr. Vaida Voevod, Minister of the Interior, M. Raducanu, Minister of Labour, and various officials have visited the village, and the Government has placed at the disposal of the local authorities a preliminary grant of 1,000,000 lei [about £1,200] to defray the cost of burial of the victims and to meet the immediate needs of survivors. The victims are to be buried to-day in a common grave, on the site of the former church, and a monument is to be erected in their memory.

GERMAN-POLISH TRADE TREATY

EFFECT OF AGRARIAN TARIFF INCREASES

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, APRIL 20

It has become known that the Polish Government has protested against the German agrarian tariff increases on the ground that they are contrary to the Geneva Tariff Truce Convention and alter the basis on which the German-Polish Trade Treaty was recently concluded.

The German standpoint is that the agrarian measures come under the exceptions expressly laid down at Geneva, that these exceptions were contemplated with a view to emergencies to which the world-wide agrarian crisis might give rise, and that it was quite well understood that Germany might soon have to take advantage of them. It is admitted that the new German measures might be somewhat prejudicial to certain of the Polish advantages in the Trade Treaty, but it is contended that they do not alter the basis fundamentally and that Poland would still have enough advantages to render the ratification of the treaty worth while. In the new regulation of the duty on pigs there are certain safeguards which should prevent the Polish quota from being seriously affected.

It is noted that, although the Parliamentary circumstances must have been well known, the Polish protest was not handed in until after the passage of the third reading of the Tariff Bill last Monday. Domestic political considerations in Poland are suspected of lying behind the move. Owing to the prospect of the Seym's not being able to meet for some months, difficulties have arisen with regard to Polish ratification of the treaty. The Germans are not disposed to heed Polish hints that perhaps portions of the treaty could be put into force by administrative decrees, as this would apparently not apply to the domiciliary provisions by which Germany sets great store.

It is suspected that certain circles in Poland would like to find a pretext for placing the blame for the postponement of ratification on Germany. The suggestion is made here that the Seym might well be summoned for a short Session after Easter for the sole purpose of ratifying the treaty. It is stated to be the intention of the German Government to submit it to the Reichstag before the summer recess.

ENGLISHWOMAN'S MARRIAGE IN AUSTRIA

HUSBAND'S PERJURY IN DIVORCE CASE

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

VIENNA, APRIL 20

The Vienna Criminal Court yesterday passed a sentence of 18 months' hard labour on Theodore Zerkowitz, a Vienna merchant of good family, for perjury and incitement to perjury. The circumstances of the case aroused much interest.

Zerkowitz had married in 1926 an English girl named Grace Burmingham, and persuaded her to settle on him during their married life an income of £3,000 a year, as well as a considerable amount in ready money. In consequence of his neglect and bad treatment, Mrs. Zerkowitz last November instituted divorce proceedings. Zerkowitz was agreeable to a divorce, but wished the question of his future allowance to be thrashed out before his wife's lawyers in London.

The couple started for England independently, but Zerkowitz managed to obtain on the train a sleeping berth adjoining that of his wife. During the journey he begged her to forgive him and to abandon her intention to divorce him, but failed in his endeavours.

The negotiations in London broke down. In the divorce proceedings in Vienna, Zerkowitz produced a witness in the person of a sleeping car conductor, who testified in the Court that he had witnessed a reconciliation between Zerkowitz and his wife on their journey. The Court, however, on the denial of Mrs. Zerkowitz and the evidence of a woman friend of hers, declared itself satisfied that Zerkowitz and the conductor had perjured themselves. Zerkowitz was sentenced as already stated, while the conductor was sent to prison for five months' with hard labour.

DRUG SMUGGLING INTO EGYPT

ARRESTS IN VIENNA

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

VIENNA, APRIL 20

The Vienna police yesterday arrested three men and one woman (all of them Jews of Eastern Europe) in connexion with the smuggling of 770lb. of heroin and cocaine to Cairo in the last 12 months. The names of the persons arrested were furnished to the Vienna police by Mr. A. Marc, an officer of the Egyptian police. The four persons appeared before the examining judge and were remanded.

AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR TO VISIT LONDON

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

VIENNA, APRIL 20

Dr. Schober, the Chancellor, will arrive in London from Paris on Thursday, May 1, at 3.30 p.m. He will attend a dinner at the Foreign Office at 7.30 the same evening.

It is understood that the reason for Dr. Schober's visit to London is his desire to obtain a foreign loan for Austria in the course of this year.

Telegrams in Brief

Mme. Cécile Sorel, of the Comédie Française, met with a motor accident near FONTAINEBLEAU yesterday morning. Her shoulder was fractured.

Robert Henderson, aged 26, said to be a British subject resident in Paris, was killed in a motor-car accident a few miles outside MADRID on Saturday.

Sir John du Cane, the Governor, returned to MALTA yesterday. Archbishop Caruana, Bishop of Malta, who had been on a visit to Rome, returned on Saturday.

Two parties of members of the 17th Battalion, The Royal Fusiliers' Club visited British War cemeteries in the BÉTHUNE, GIVENCHY, and LA BASSÉE districts during the week-end.

Snow has fallen on the mountains in SWITZERLAND down to the level of 1,500ft., where 1ft. of snow has been recorded. Frost has damaged the fruit trees, which are now in blossom.

Signorina Edda Mussolini and her *fiancé*, Signor Galeazzo Ciano, have been received at the Villa Savoia by the King and Queen. The marriage is announced to take place in ROME next Thursday.

Some 20 persons were burned to death in a fire which destroyed hundreds of houses at Cadiz, a town on the island of Negros, in the PHILIPPINES. Five thousand natives have fled to the hinterland.

According to an official statement by the Deputy Minister of Mines for ONTARIO, more lignite deposits have been discovered in Northern Ontario on the Onawakwana River, two-and-a-half miles from the original bed at Blacksmith's Rapids.

A disturbance was made at BASEL on Saturday by Communists, who tried to prevent the arrest of an Italian who was to be deported from Switzerland. The police charged the crowd with drawn swords and arrested seven persons. Several policemen and civilians were injured.

Arthur John Ellis, of the crew of H.M.S. Revenge, which is lying at Villefranche, yesterday fell into the Saut-du-Loup ravine near NICE, and was killed. He had gone with other sailors from the British squadron on a motor expedition, and missed his footing while being photographed on the edge of the ravine.

The ICELANDIC Budget was passed by the Althing on Wednesday. Expenditure was estimated at 12,821,744 krónur [£712,300], and revenue at 12,876,600 krónur [£712,000]. The Althing adjourned on Saturday until June 26, the first day of the millennial celebrations.

An exchange of Notes has taken place between Hungary and Austria confirming the agreement that, as from May 15, the visa obligation for passports has been reciprocally abolished for nationals of these two countries. Negotiations to the same end are being carried on between Germany and Hungary.

The Princess of Piedmont, *née* Princess Marie-José of Belgium, decided that the proceeds of the national subscription opened in BRUSSELS for the purpose of offering her a wedding present should be used for a public foundation. This body will grant bursaries for promoting intellectual relations between Belgium and Italy and for the study of the history of Italian art or of Belgian art in Italy.

King George and Queen Mary have sent to the historical exhibition to be held in BRUSSELS at the end of May, in connexion with the centenary of Belgian Independence, two fine full-length portraits by George Dowe of Leopold I. and his first wife, Princess Charlotte, a bust in white marble of the same Princess, and a set of miniatures representing Leopold I., Queen Louise Marie of Orléans, and the Royal children.

A party of 70 British master printers, organized by the Home Counties Master Printers' Alliance, is spending the Easter week-end in BELGIUM. They were received at Bruges by the Bruges Master Printers' Association, and at Brussels on Saturday afternoon they met a gathering of the Belgian Master Printers, who entertained the party at dinner in the evening. Yesterday they visited the Plantin Museum at Antwerp and other places of interest.

Our MELBOURNE Correspondent telegraphs that the Victorian Labour Conference debated a resolution to make the socialization of industry, production, and exchange the first plank in the platform of the party, which should subsequently advocate its adoption as a Federal objective. There were 98 votes for and 84 against the resolution, but as there was not the requisite majority the resolution was declared to have been negatived. Mr. Scullin, Prime Minister of Australia, and Mr. Hogan, Premier of Victoria, were among those who opposed the resolution.

NEW PERSIAN CURRENCY

GOLD STANDARD TO DISPLACE SILVER

(FROM OUR TEHERAN CORRESPONDENT)

The Mejlis recently passed a Bill to reform the Persian currency by establishing a gold standard in place of the existing silver basis. The measure will not be actually in operation for some time, and it is not known yet how the concession of the Imperial Bank of Persia, which has hitherto issued all bank notes and held a silver cover for two-thirds the value of the notes, will be affected.

By the provisions of the Bill, the unit is to be the gold riyal, divisible into 100 dinars, in place of the silver kran. Gold coins, though nominally in circulation, have for some time been struck only for special purposes. There are now to be two gold coins in circulation, the "half-pahlavi" and the "pahlavi," respectively 10 and 20 riyals. The riyal is to be equivalent to 0.3661191 grammes of fine gold. A pahlavi will contain 7.322382 grammes, with a standard fineness of .9 fine gold and .1 copper alloy. There will also be current four silver coins, the half, one, two, and five riyals. The one riyal coin will contain 4.5 grammes of fine silver, with the same proportion of copper alloy as the gold coins. There will be three nickel coins, the five, 10, and 20 dinars, and two copper coins, the one and two dinars.

All the gold and silver coins are to be round. The gold coins are to have on the obverse an effigy of the Shah and on the reverse the lion and sun, with the denomination and year of coinage. The silver coins will have the lion and sun on the obverse and the denomination and year on the reverse. The copper and nickel coins will have the same impressions as the silver. All coins will be coined at the Government Mint. Gold will be coined for the public without restriction; coinage of silver will be conducted solely by the Government. A minimum reserve equal to the whole amount of the silver, nickel, and copper currency is to be kept in gold or foreign balances by the newly formed National Bank. The date and method of the exchange of krans into riyals will be laid down in a separate Act within 12 months. Gold may be imported into Persia free, silver may not be imported except in the form of manufactured silver articles.

COMMUNIST DISTURBANCE IN LEIPZIG

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BERLIN, APRIL 20

Two policemen and a Communist demonstrator were killed, and seven policemen injured, two of them severely, at Leipzig this evening at a Communist demonstration in the Augustus Platz. A number of the demonstrators were injured. The Communists belonged to a party of some 30,000 Communists attending a German Communist "youth" rally, to which contingents had been sent from all parts of Germany. Several thousands left Berlin for this purpose on Friday.

THE HAITIAN PRESIDENCY

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, APRIL 19

President Borno, of Haiti, has discharged 12 of the 21 members of the Council of State, apparently with a view to substituting other councillors who can be trusted to vote for the election of Mr. Eugène Roy as temporary President of the Republic. It is expected that the election will be held on Monday. At the State Department in Washington it was said that the United States Government was exercising a degree of persuasion in the selection of Haiti's temporary President, and that the United States Government approved the action of President Borno if it meant the election of Mr. Roy.

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OUTRAGES IN BENGAL

POLICE ARMOURIES STORMED

RAIDERS ARMED WITH RIFLES

ACTION BY THE VICEROY

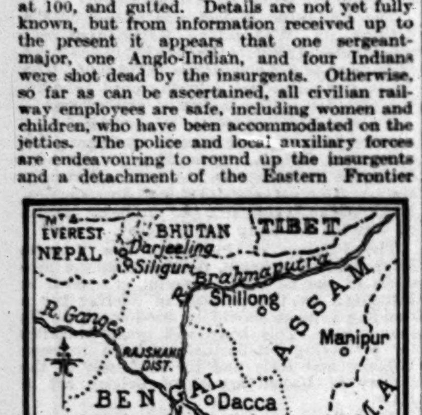
(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 20

Disturbances broke out at Chittagong late on Friday, when a large party of revolutionaries, fully equipped with modern arms, raided the police armouries and destroyed the armaments. Six or seven persons are reported to have been killed. The raiders took flight into the country.

The first authentic news came yesterday in a *communiqué* from the Bengal Government, which ran:—

The Government regrets to have to announce that the railway and police armouries at Chittagong were attacked on the night of April 18-19 by a body of insurgents estimated at 100, and gutted. Details are not yet fully known, but from information received up to the present it appears that one sergeant-major, one Anglo-Indian, and four Indians were shot dead by the insurgents. Otherwise, so far as can be ascertained, all civilian railway employees are safe, including women and children, who have been accommodated on the jetties. The police and local auxiliary forces are endeavouring to round up the insurgents and a detachment of the Eastern Frontier



Rifles, under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Dallas Smith, has been sent off this morning and is expected to reach Chittagong on Sunday morning. The Inspector-General of Police accompanied the detachment. Telegraphic communications were interfered with, but are being restored. A train was also derailed on the night of April 18 about 40 miles from Chittagong, and the railway line is blocked, but trans-shipment is being effected. It is not known whether the derailment was a coincidence or part of the insurgents' scheme.

Earlier efforts to get into touch with Chittagong from Calcutta were ineffective, as the telegraph lines had been completely cut, but wireless was available for official messages. In the course of Saturday afternoon it became known that the women and children had been transferred to the vessels in port and that detachments from the crews of the vessels had been landed to reinforce the small number of Europeans in the town.

FIVE MEN ARRESTED

According to messages from the District Magistrate of Chittagong, the attack on the armouries was made, it is supposed, by about 100 men armed with rifles and revolvers. The telephone exchange was burnt and the Auxiliary Force and police arsenals were gutted. The Auxiliary Force arsenal contained about 90 rifles and two or three Lewis guns. Many of these were battered and burnt. Up to this afternoon five men had been arrested, of whom two were found to be injured. Four motor-cars used in the attack have been recovered and also some stolen arms, but one rifle, 20 revolvers, and 53 muskets are unaccounted for. The Magistrate states that two Europeans, two constables, and three taxicab drivers were killed in the attack.

After their swift success the attackers made for the country round Chittagong, with armed police endeavouring to keep touch. The surrounding region, with low sandhills and cut up by many streams, offers admirable concealment for men who can at once mix with the ordinary population, and the task of rounding up the raiders is almost impossible with the force available. It is believed that some 60 men are hiding in the hills, where search has begun. Because of the blocking of the railway line the detachment of Frontier Rifles from Calcutta had to be transferred from one train to another, but arrived at Chittagong at 5.30 this morning.

CALCUTTA PRECAUTIONS

Sir Stanley Jackson, the Governor, who had left for Darjeeling on Friday, returned to Calcutta yesterday afternoon, having at once ordered the train back on receipt of the news from Chittagong. In the evening he announced that certain sections of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act, due to expire on Wednesday next, would be again promulgated to deal with terrorist outrages. A *communiqué* issued by the Government of India concerning the re-promulgation makes a distinction between the terrorist movement and the civil disobedience campaign.

In Calcutta precautions have been taken, and are being maintained, to prevent any surprise. The auxiliary Forces have been warned to hold themselves in readiness for a summons at any time, and extra police have been put on duty. Special constables were sworn-in to-day. Guards have been placed at detached arsenals, and the troops are being kept ready for any emergency. To-day everything is quiet in the city. The general belief is that the Chittagong attack was carried out by men drafted from Calcutta, and was not a local outburst.

Since the riot in Calcutta the police have been rounding up those believed to have been principally implicated. Yesterday 17 Bengalis, mostly members of trade unions, student associations and Congress organizations, were arrested under the power given police officers to "arrest without warrant persons designing to commit a cognizable offence." A Sikh procession arranged for this afternoon here as a protest against the arrest of members of the community was abandoned owing to the presence of a large force of police. Mr. Ganguly, president, and four other members of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, have been arrested at Rajshahi, where a conference was being held to promote civil disobedience.

VICEROY'S ORDINANCE

SIMLA, April 20.—A *Gazette Extraordinary* is issued to-day containing an Ordinance promulgated by the Viceroy yesterday in exercise of his powers under Section 72 of the Government of India Act. A statement signed by the Viceroy, explaining the reasons for the issue of the Ordinance, runs as follows:—

When at the end of the month the Government of Bengal, with the concurrence of the Government of India and the Secretary of State, decided that that part of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act which granted to the Executive certain exceptional powers of arrest and detention should be repealed, his Excellency the Governor-General stated on their behalf that they could not ignore the possibility of emergency again arising which would make it essential for them to be in possession of those powers.

A widespread revolutionary organization whose activities had led to the passing of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act has brought about an armed attack on the railway and police armouries at Chittagong, accompanied by murderous outrages, and in order to forestall further outbreaks or outrages by terrorists elsewhere the Government of Bengal have represented that it is essential to renew the powers which have so recently lapsed.

On the information before me, I have no doubt that the emergency justifies and demands immediate revival of the powers in question, and I have therefore deemed it my duty to promulgate an Ordinance renewing temporarily the powers which were conferred by those sections of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act, lately repealed.—IRWIN, Viceroy and Governor-General.

The Ordinance repeats almost verbatim those sections of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1925 which were omitted from the Act passed by the Bengal Legislative Council last month.—*Reuter.*

MOSLEM HOSTILITY TO MR. GANDHI

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

BOMBAY, APRIL 20

The All-Indian Moslem Conference for Palestine affairs was held here yesterday and to-day. Maulvi Mahomed Yakub, deputy-president of the Legislative Assembly, presided, and there was present also Mullaji Saheb, the religious head of the Bohra community.

After delivering an address in which he criticized British policy in Palestine, the president made an emphatic denunciation of the civil disobedience movement in India. He said that the movement really aimed at establishing the domination of a majority over minorities.

Mr. Gandhi, Maulvi Mahomed Yakub continued, who once considered a Hindu-Moslem settlement as the corner-stone of responsible government, seemed to have the idea that *Swaraj* was obtainable without Moslem co-operation. Hindu policy aimed at destroying the present Government, and Moslems could not, consistently with their national self-respect, sympathize with this lawless movement. They feared that a great wrong would be inflicted upon them. Moreover, this movement was contrary to religious tenets, for lawlessness and anarchy were condemned by the Koran. The movement was doomed to failure, but would do immense wrong to the country, and the responsibility for that must lie with those leaders who, to maintain their position, provoked young men to violence and afterwards professed to condemn their action.

A deputation of "untouchables," returning from Gujarat to Poona, has expressed indignation at the treatment given them in Gujarat. They were surprised to find the "untouchability" ban enforced within 10 miles of Dandi, and 10 "untouchables" who enlisted in Gujarat to accompany them were so threatened by the local headmen that they deserted the deputation. They declare that Mr. Gandhi's attitude showed them that it was useless to stay any longer, and that they have returned to Poona convinced that Mr. Gandhi is not working for the whole nation.

FERMENT IN KARACHI

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

KARACHI, APRIL 19

Political ferment here found expression in three mass meetings last night, at which resolutions were passed congratulating those who were injured in Wednesday's riots and the law-breakers who were imprisoned, and condemning the Government's policy. At Rambaugh recreation grounds thousands of persons watched the manufacture of contraband salt from seawater after numerous fiery speeches had been delivered by local and Upper Sind *Satyagrahis*. A bonfire of foreign cloth was made by students at Khalikdina Hall.

BOMBS DISCOVERED AT LAHORE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LAHORE, APRIL 19

Following recent arrests in connexion with the Dasehra bomb outrages of 1926 and 1928, the Punjab police yesterday unearthed 14 Mills bombs with detonators. A thorough search had been made of the houses of all the arrested men without result, but later one confessed that he had a store of bombs. The police were taken by the man to the house, and halfway up the third flight of stairs the man pointed to a small piece of tin on the underside of the stairway. This was a secret cupboard, in which were discovered the 14 bombs, a revolver and 50 rounds of ammunition, and a Russian stick bomb as used in the Peshawar district in the 1920 outrages.

OUTBREAK IN RHODE ISLAND PRISON

TWO PERSONS DEAD

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, APRIL 20

Two persons were killed and three seriously wounded during an outbreak in the State prison at Howard, Rhode Island, which began early yesterday afternoon and was only quelled after the arrival of troops and police armed with rifles and tear gas bombs.

The outbreak began just after 2 o'clock, when two or three men arrived in a motor-car at the main gate of the prison and asked to see a prisoner named "Pretty End" MacNeill and another. When the guards in the visitors' room turned to send for the prisoners, the visitors drew revolvers and killed one guard and shot another. Meanwhile a number of prisoners, headed by MacNeill, had come down to the visitors' room and were standing behind the wire screen. The visitors passed a number of revolvers to them through the screen and made off. On the way out they met another warder and fired at him, but without effect. Seeing two armed visitors leaving the prison, another warder turned the switch of the automatic lock system, thus closing all doors from the visitors' room and trapping the armed prisoners behind the screen there. Here they were attacked by warders, police, and troops, and finally surrendered shortly after 3 o'clock.

When the attacking forces burst into the room they found "Pretty End" MacNeill, the robber serving a 35-year term who is supposed to have been the ringleader, lying dead on the floor with a bullet wound through the head and an empty revolver beside him. He is believed to have committed suicide on seeing the hopelessness of the attempt to escape. The police have captured and identified one of the men who brought the arms. They had abandoned the motor-car, which had been stolen.

MR. GANDHI ON VIOLENCE

"PLACID" VIEWS

LIBERALS AND ROUND-TABLE CONFERENCE

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BOMBAY, APRIL 20

The news of the outbreak at Chittagong has produced the most profound effect all over India. It is recognized as by far the most serious incident in the history of the present unrest. The evident skill and deliberation with which the raid was planned, the burning of the armouries and the telephone exchange, the necessity for the women and children to take refuge on the ships in the harbour, and the loss of life are all bad enough. But added to all is the uneasy suspicion of loot in arms and ammunition obtained by desperate men before the armouries at the police barracks and the Auxiliary Force Headquarters were burned down. There is also significance in the fact that that bald official *communiqué* which so far is almost the only news India has had about the affair makes use of the term "insurgents" to describe the raiders.

Naturally, Congress leaders are already busy washing their hands of any responsibility and claiming that it was impossible to foresee such consequences of the general unrest. It is interesting, however, to recall a remarkable statement made to me by Mr. Gandhi at the village of Dindoli, near Surat, on the afternoon of April 2. He was resting in a cottage, surrounded by volunteers sitting on the floor, whom, in the course of conversation, he praised for their discipline and peaceful behaviour during the long march. I thereupon asked him point blank if he did not think that his appeal to the masses might result in an outbreak of violence among distant and less-disciplined communities. Mr. Gandhi replied placidly that he thought it quite likely. "Non-violent and violent movements always go hand in hand," he said. "There are in this country anarchistic-minded people who disapprove of my peaceful methods and are jealous of their success."

To my suggestion that, even if this theory was admitted, it seemed a pity to embark on a campaign which was the very thing calculated to provoke violent elements to go one better, Mr. Gandhi said, "Not at all. It is true that India may see violence very soon. But I must show the country that my peaceful methods are more successful in gaining my ends." The Mahatma made an even more astonishing statement at Bardoli to-day, when he told an audience of village *patels* [headmen] and *talatis* [accountants] that if they obeyed his orders he would give them *Swaraj* within eight days. There is much speculation here whether Mr. Gandhi will be permitted to carry out his intention of visiting Bombay at the end of the coming week.

TACTICS IN SURAT

Mr. Gandhi's activities in Gujarat have faded out of the picture for the moment in view of the graver news from other parts of India. Indeed, the record of events during the week-end only heightens the contrast between the puerile tactics practised in Surat District and the serious outbreaks of lawlessness which their example has provoked from Karachi across India to Chittagong. Mrs. Gandhi's women volunteers continue to sing temperance songs outside liquor stores. Volunteers have been ordered to cut down the palm-trees from which toddy is manufactured. Mr. Gandhi has secured a companion for Mr. Reginald Reynolds, an Australian named Cyril Thornton having joined his *Ashram* [seminary].

Rather more important is the news of the arrest of Jamna Das Mehta, leader of *Satyagraha* in Thana District, 20 miles from Bombay, and a former member of the Legislative Assembly. As he is also president of the Bombay Taxi-cab Drivers' Union, the men promptly declared a *hartal* last night, no taxi-cabs being obtainable by the usual Saturday night crowds in the streets of Bombay. Mehta was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and fined 200 rupees [£15]. He was immediately garlanded by admirers amid shouts of "Gandhi ki jai!" in the open court.

Mr. Gandhi's own view of the value of martyrdom is illustrated by the following somewhat cryptic telegram to the headquarters of Karachi Congress, whose leader, Jairam Das, was wounded during the attack on the police court on Wednesday:—"Consider Jairam Das most fortunate. Bullet wound in thigh better than prison wound. Wound in heart better still."

"NEW OFFER" SOUGHT

There has been a certain amount of mischievous kite-flying both in the Liberal Press and in private conferences during the past week with a "new offer" from the British Government as its professed aim. It is claimed, somewhat ingenuously, that the need of the moment is for a definite pledge that the proposed Round-Table Conference will turn out a ready-made constitution granting "Dominion status" for India within a short specified time. It is claimed, moreover, that the immediate effect of such a promise would be to "rally moderate opinion"—a phrase which rings with hollow monotony in the ears of those who have watched the situation in the past few months.

Of course, there is nothing new in the demand; indeed, it was implicit in the Delhi Manifesto, which the political leaders signed in reply to the Viceroy's invitation of last October. It is unnecessary to repeat the obvious fact that it would be impossible for the Conference to arrogate to itself duties which belong to Parliament. The plain truth is that at the moment it is no use looking for a rally of moderates, who lack the courage either to stick to their guns or to come out into the open and denounce in public the lawlessness which they hasten to deplore in private.

To make further advances at this stage would be playing right into Mr. Gandhi's hands. One of his main objects in goading the Government into making him a martyr has been to arouse extremist feeling to such a pitch as effectively to frighten moderates away from the conference table. A fresh offer at this stage is unthinkable. It would only be hailed as another triumph for Mr. Gandhi, while the "moderate rally" which, so it is claimed, would follow, would doubtless go the way of the All-Parties Conference.

LORD LLOYD

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

CONSTANTINOPLE, APRIL 20

Lord Lloyd has returned here from Angora, where he had audiences of the Ghazi Mustapha Kemal Pasha and with Ismet Pasha. He stated that he had met with the utmost courtesy and kindliness during his stay in Turkey. He is now proceeding to Rumania.

THE LABOUR "REBELS"

I.L.P. SUPPORT

MR. MAXTON'S POLICY

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BIRMINGHAM, APRIL 20

The Independent Labour Party Conference at Birmingham to-day passed by a large majority a resolution which endorsed the action of its chairman, Mr. Maxton, and those members of the party who supported him in the recent debates and proceedings on the Unemployment Insurance Bill in Parliament and congratulated them on the stand they made. To make the acceptance of revolt against the Labour Government complete, the delegates agreed to an addendum in which regret was expressed that some of the I.L.P. nominees in Parliament failed to give their support to Mr. Maxton.

The resolution was moved and put to a vote formally, but it followed an animated debate on the report of the I.L.P. Parliamentary group, which presented all the issues. Mr. P. J. Dollan moved that this report be referred back, and in the discussion the question was plainly asked whether the conference was prepared to cut itself away from the Labour Party. There were delegates to cry "Yes," but Mr. Maxton read a statement prepared by the National Council of the party which indicated a distinct preference for freedom to follow inclinations within the fold of the national party. Some attempt was made in this manifesto to justify votes given against the Government in important divisions, and the statement ended with the expression of a hope that the Labour Party Executive would not seek to enforce rigid discipline preventing liberty of action on matters of deep conviction. The National Council, it was added, considered it desirable to make clear that the I.L.P. could not accept new limitations of its rights and of the obligations of members of Parliament to their constituents and to Socialism.

The reference back of the Parliamentary report was defeated by 356 votes to 53, and the adoption of the resolution associated with the report was challenged only to the extent of a show of hands.

Another resolution carried this morning instructed the National Council to reconstruct the I.L.P. Parliamentary group on the basis of acceptance of the policy of the I.L.P. as laid down by the decisions of annual conference and as interpreted by the National Administrative Council.

"IN OUR TIME"

This afternoon Mr. Maxton was elected chairman of the party for the fifth year in succession. In his presidential address yesterday he avoided any open attempt to influence the decisions to be taken later by the conference. During a general restatement of I.L.P. policy he urged drastic taxation of the rich to raise the standard of living of the poor, and regretted that Mr. Snowden had not seen fit to challenge the great vested interests in this way at this time. He attacked rationalization and submitted that the fair distribution of what already existed was a more urgent question than the increasing of production. For this reason he was insistent that the I.L.P. should emphasize the "Socialism in our time" aspect of its propaganda.

⁂ The conference is reported at greater length on page 12.

DUCHESS OF BEDFORD'S FLIGHT

CAPE TOWN IN NINE DAYS FROM ENGLAND

CAPE TOWN, April 19.—The Duchess of Bedford in her aeroplane the Spider landed here at 5.45 this afternoon, thus completing the flight from England with her two pilots, Captain Barnard and Mr. Robert Little, in just over nine days. There were comparatively few people present as it had been expected that a landing would be made at Wynberg Aerodrome, seven miles away. The Duchess, who showed no trace of fatigue on leaving the aeroplane, was presented with a posy of wild Cape flowers.

Captain Barnard said the most trying experience was during the last stages of their flight, when they were hampered by low clouds and rain. They had altogether covered 9,000 miles since leaving England in 100 flying hours. Captain Barnard added that they flew through 200 miles of rain.

The return flight to England would commence on Monday at 7 o'clock. An effort is to be made to break the record for the outward journey by at least a day.—*Reuter.*

OVER RHODESIA

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BULAWAYO, APRIL 19

The Duchess of Bedford, piloted by Captain Barnard, arrived here unexpectedly yesterday, this place not being on the route as planned. The intention was to fly from Broken Hill to Palapye (Bechuanaland), but the aerodrome at Broken Hill was not big enough to permit the machine to leave with a full load of petrol, so the machine came only as far as Bulawayo. The party left this morning for Cape Town. Between Broken Hill and this place gales and rain were experienced, necessitating very low flying. Captain Barnard said that part of the journey across Africa they had been flying 2ft. above the treetops, yet they could not see the Zambezi. The Duchess said she had enjoyed the trip. She had seen all varieties of game and a lion at his kill.

THE PRINCE'S RETURN

DEPARTURE FROM CAIRO

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

CAIRO, APRIL 20

The Prince of Wales left Cairo Station this evening for Port Said, where he will embark in a P. and O. liner for England. His departure was witnessed by a large crowd of English and Maltese, who sang "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" as the train steamed out. The Prince has been less bothered than usual by journalists in Cairo during his four days' stay, as it was understood that he desired privacy.

The only official visit which the Prince paid was to King Fuad, with whom he lunched at Abdin Palace on Friday. His Royal Highness reviewed The Welsh Guards, of which he is Colonel-in-Chief, yesterday morning, and afterwards visited the 1st Battalion, The South Wales Borderers, and the 12th Royal Lancers (Prince of Wales's). He played squash rackets and polo at the Gezira Sporting Club, where, in the evening, he entertained a party which included Princess Ileana, who is staying a few days in Cairo after her return from Syria, whence Queen Marie proceeded to Rumania.

THE NAVAL TREATY

LAST STAGES OF CONFERENCE

TO-DAY'S MEETING

It is expected that the delegations to the Naval Conference will meet at St. James's Palace this morning to give their approval to the Treaty which has been drawn up by the jurists and experts attached to the Conference.

The Heads of Delegations have still to make a few minor decisions in regard to the preamble to the Treaty, but in all other respects the text of the Treaty is ready and, unless some unforeseen hitch occurs, the plenary meeting of the Conference for the signature of the documents should be held to-morrow morning.

The Prime Minister returns to London early this morning. He left Lossiemouth, where he had been spending Easter, yesterday, and took the afternoon train from Forres.

At a Cooperative Party meeting at Buxton on Saturday night Mr. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, said that, measured by past efforts, the progress made at the Conference might be regarded as "almost phenomenal"; the Conference had achieved a reduction of programmes for cruisers, destroyers, and submarines of more than 500,000 tons, taken collectively, over the three principal naval Powers. "We have not finished with disarmament when we put our signatures to the Treaty," he added; "we meet again in 1935, when the figures now agreed on are to be discussed with a view to revision and reduction."

Senator Robinson, of the American delegation, broadcast an address on the work of the Conference from London to America last night. A report will be found on page 9.

SIGNOR GRANDI REMAINING IN ROME

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

ROME, APRIL 20

Signor Grandi is not returning to London for the final meeting of the Naval Conference. Admiral Sirianni, however, will be present and the Italian delegation will therefore be complete except for the Foreign Minister.

According to the official explanation, the decision to remain in Rome has been taken by Signor Grandi with sincere regret. He had not, however, entirely recovered from the indisposition from which he was suffering in London, and as he found much work awaiting him on his return the other day it was thought advisable by his doctors that he should not further fatigue himself by a long railway journey.

JAPANESE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN

TOKYO, April 20.—Instructions authorizing Mr. Wakatsuki, the principal Japanese delegate, to sign the naval treaty on behalf of his Government were transmitted to London this evening after the text of the proposed pact had been carefully examined by the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, the Vice-Minister of the Navy, and various high officials both of the Admiralty and Foreign Office. It was agreed that there was no need to revise the document.—*Reuter.*

POLITICAL NOTES

COMPULSORY WORK IN RUSSIA

Just before the House of Commons rose for the Easter recess Commander Bellairs, M.P., called the attention of the Speaker to the fact that a question dealing with compulsory labour in Russia had been refused by the Clerks at the Table. The Speaker promised that he would go into the matter to see if the subject was one which might properly be raised in Parliament. Commander Bellairs has now given notice of the following motion dealing with the subject:—

That this House has noted the decrees of the Soviet Russian authorities for the conscription of well over a million workers in Russia, in addition to those already serving under compulsion in the collectivist farms and timber forests; this House is of opinion that these conditions of compulsory labour are such as have always been legislated against by Parliament as slavery; and this House therefore calls upon the Government to prohibit all importation of timber and farm produce from Soviet Russia until adequate guarantees are obtained that these importations are produced under voluntary conditions.

The resolution appears on the Order Paper for Tuesday of next week, but there is no chance of it being discussed unless the Government provides the necessary facilities.

From the opening of the present Parliament until the Easter recess 126 public Bills had been brought before the House of Commons, 43 as Government measures and the rest by private members. Seventeen of these Bills have already been dropped or withdrawn, and 21 have received the Royal Assent. Unemployment Insurance has been the subject of three Bills, which have already been passed into law, and three Government Bills and one private member's Bill dealing with housing have been brought forward. Seventeen Bills have been dealt with by Standing Committees and 18 are still awaiting consideration.

NEW DEAN OF LINCOLN

CANON R. A. MITCHELL APPOINTED

The King has been pleased to approve the appointment of the REV. ROBERT ANDREW MITCHELL, M.A., Honorary Canon of Winchester, vicar of St. Michael, Chester-square, vicar of St. Philip, Buckingham Palace-road, Westminster, and Chaplain to his Majesty, to the Deanery of Lincoln, vacant by the death of the Very Rev. Thomas Charles Fry, M.A., D.D.

⁂ Canon Mitchell graduated at Magdalen College, Oxford, in 1892, taking a second-class in Modern History. He was ordained in the following year, and was curate of St. Mary-at-the-Walls, Colchester, Eton, and St. Jude's, Southsea, before becoming vicar of Highfield, Southampton, in 1903. He was made an honorary canon of Winchester in 1914. The Duke of Westminster appointed him to St. Michael's, Chester-square, 10 years ago, and last year he was made a Chaplain to the King. He has taken an active interest in educational work. At Southampton he served for some years on the local education authority and was a member of the governing body of the Southampton University College. He is a member of the Council of Westfield College, and of the executive committee of the Princess Helena College (Ealing), and is also on the executive committee of the Friends of the Poor.

Canon Mitchell stated last night that he would take up with great keenness the work of restoring Lincoln Cathedral, to which his predecessor, Dr. Fry, devoted so much energy and enthusiasm. That was the chief task that lay before him at the moment.

WINTRY EASTER

UNSETTLED OUTLOOK

(FROM OUR WEATHER CORRESPONDENT)

The weather maintained its wintry character throughout Saturday and yesterday. The withdrawal of the Atlantic anti-cyclone towards Iceland caused the wind to become north-easterly over most of the country instead of being almost due north. As often happens at this season, the change has resulted in a marked falling off of sunshine, especially over England.

The depression passed southward across the North Sea in the course of Friday night, and afterwards moved a little west of south. This led to distinctly heavier falls of rain than have occurred of late, Scarborough getting over three-quarters of an inch, and Ilkley and Cranwell over half an inch. Farther south the precipitation sometimes took the form of sleet or wet snow in the early morning, where the temperature had fallen to within a degree or two of freezing during a period of clear sky in the preceding night. Later in the day hail showers occurred, with local thunderstorms. In Northern England the temperature in many places failed to rise much above 40deg., and at Ilkley the maximum was only 38deg., but it was in those parts and in Scotland that most sunshine was enjoyed.

Yesterday's weather was characterized by comparatively small amounts of rain, but more persistent cloud. Among many places recording little or no sunshine were London, Harwich, Felixstowe, Ilkley, Buxton, and Berwick-on-Tweed. The north-east wind carried the cloud far to the westward, so that at Shrewsbury and Colwyn Bay the total amount of sunshine up to 6 p.m. was only half an hour. The temperature in South-East England was not quite so low as of late, for it reached 53deg. at Dover and Bournemouth.

The official forecasts show that further depressions may be expected to reach the North Sea from the Arctic before long, and the same changeable weather will probably continue for at least another two days in all districts.

By command of the King the bands of the Royal Horse Guards and Scots Guards played on the East Terrace, Windsor Castle, for two hours yesterday afternoon, and the public were admitted to listen to the music. Thousands of holiday-makers and townspeople assembled in the gardens, and the King and Queen, the Duke and Duchess of York, Princess Mary, Countess of Harewood, and other members of the Royal Family looked on from the Castle windows. The weather was fine though cold. Princess Elizabeth was in a perambulator in the grounds below the Terrace, and waved her hand to the crowd.

Strong winds and heavy rain prevented the opening of the Leicestershire Aero Club's pageant at Desford on Saturday.

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN AGREEMENT

"VICTORY FOR SOVIET DIPLOMACY"

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

RIGA, APRIL 20

The temporary Anglo-Soviet trade agreement, the anti-Easter campaign, and appeals to individualist peasants have been the chief topics of the Bolshevist leaders' speeches in Moscow during the past few days. The majority of the Soviet newspapers say that the agreement is another victory for Soviet diplomacy, won in spite of the extraordinary efforts of anti-Soviet elements, in spite of the crusade against religious persecution and squeamishness about forced labour, and even against the inclinations of the so-called Labour Government, compelled by the revolutionary masses to accept the Soviet Government's demands.

Izvestia, the organ of the Government, says that the political importance of the agreement extends beyond Anglo-Soviet relations: it will be especially valuable in helping the Soviet Government to counteract the feeling caused abroad by the alleged religious oppression, the horrors of convict labour, and the militarization of agriculture.

It is an object lesson for France and the aggressive border States, and although it will not avert war, it may prolong the lull before the clash comes. The newspaper notes as the most important points in the agreement the grant of diplomatic immunity to the trade delegation and its premises, the privileges for shipping, and the extension of credit facilities.

Pravda, the organ of the Russian Communist Party, speaks of the agreement in similar strain, adding that: "We shall not relax even for a moment our revolutionary Bolshevist alertness." Great Britain's toiling masses, it says, will watch anti-Soviet imperialists, too, and "when the proper moment arrives, will deliver a decisive defeat."

M. Sokolnikoff, the Soviet Ambassador in London, has informed the Soviet Press that the agreement will please Britain's toiling masses and certain business circles.

A £3,000,000 ORDER

MOSCOW, April 19.—According to the official Tass Agency, M. Bron, head of the Soviet Trade Delegation for London, states that on April 11 he signed a two-year agreement with Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, for the purchase on credit terms of fertilizers, dyes, semi-finished products, and metals to a value of £3,000,000.—*Reuter.*

COUNT DE LA VAULX KILLED

AEROPLANE CRASH IN U.S.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, APRIL 20

Count de la Vaulx, president of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale, together with the pilot and two other occupants of an aeroplane which was flying from Montreal to Newark (New Jersey), was killed on Friday when the machine crashed at Jersey City.

Officials of the Department of Commerce, who are making an inquiry into the accident, attribute it to the pilot's decision to take off from Albany on the last section of the flight to Newark, in spite of adverse weather reports.

When the aeroplane reached Jersey City a dense fog made it impossible to find a landing ground either there or at Newark. The pilot, a man with 2,999 hours' flying experience, circled over Jersey City for nearly an hour, dropping so low in an effort to find his bearings that he only just avoided hitting the sky-scrapers, and terrified crowds in the streets. He then flew away from the centre of the city over the meadows beside the Hackensack River, where he seems to have found a hole in the fog and tried to land. But the meadows there are covered with a network of high-tension wires from the plant of the public service gas and electric company. The machine hit one of these, burst into flames, and crashed to the ground, and all the occupants were instantly killed.

⁂ An obituary notice appears on p. 13.

WEI-HAI-WEI

RESTORATION TO CHINA

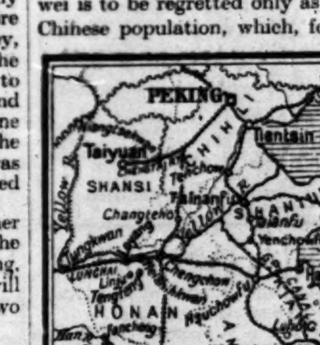
YEN'S NEW MOVE IN SHANSI

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

PEKING, APRIL 20

The agreement for the retrocession of Wei-hai-wei to China was signed yesterday in Nanking. Since the Powers ceased to maintain rival fleets in Far Eastern waters, Wei-hai-wei has been of value to Great Britain only as a health station for the naval vessels kept on the China coast for the protection of shipping and of the British Communities. In restoring this fine harbour to the sovereign Power it may be presumed it has been arranged with the Chinese to permit our ships to use the harbour in the summer as heretofore. There is a good deal of British property around the bay, and a necessary condition of any agreement is recognition by the Chinese of the leases granted to British subjects while the British Government was in possession.

Assuming that these matters have been provided for, the retrocession of Wei-hai-wei is to be regretted only as regards the Chinese population, which, for nearly 30



years, has prospered under the security of the British flag and must now, at a time when the country is in great confusion, take its chance of the uncertainties of Chinese administration.

Yen Hsi-shan's tobacco monopoly in Shansi [Yen's Province] is now in full blast, contrary to treaty stipulation and in disregard of the Nanking Government's arrangements with the tobacco companies as regards taxation. The products of foreign firms are now admitted only within limited areas of the Province, and taxation far in excess of that fixed by Nanking is being imposed. Apparently the Shansi authorities are giving preference to products of Chinese firms. The situation is receiving the attention of the Legations concerned.

A demonstration organized to denounce Chiang Kai-shek was held here yesterday. It was largely attended, and fiery speeches were made and resolutions passed. The city was placarded with notices attacking Chiang.

Fighting is reported between Government forces and Northern detachments, which have moved to the south-east from the Kweiteh district on the Lunghai Railway. It is believed that only small bodies aiming at the interruption of railway communication were engaged.

WOOL TEXTILE DISPUTE

UNION'S APPEAL FOR PICKETS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

BRADFORD, APRIL 19

The National Association of Unions in the Textile Trade has issued a notice to trade unionists who have withdrawn their labour in the northern counties to ignore "intimidating letters," stated to have been sent them to present themselves for work after the Easter holidays. The notice was issued after a meeting of a special sub-committee to-day.

The possibility of a return to work of increasing numbers of workpeople is indicated by an appeal made for pickets by one of the craft unions, which states:—"This is very important, as there may be a tendency among some sections to go in at reduced wages after the holidays, and every effort will be made to keep them loyal to their fellow-members."

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Capitol	SUCH MEN ARE DANGEROUS	12 to 12
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ENGLAND, S.E.—Fresh to strong northerly winds; bright intervals, some rain and showers; cold.

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TO-DAY'S NEWS

HOME

The delegations to the Naval Conference are expected to give their approval to the Treaty drawn up by the jurists and experts this morning. (p. 10)

Speaking at the conference of the National Union of Teachers at Bournemouth on Saturday, Sir Charles Trevelyan outlined the Government's plans for the reorganization of the educational system. (p. 12)

The Home Secretary has declined to advise a reprieve in the case of William Henry Podmore, sentenced to death for the murder of Vivian Messiter at Southampton in October, 1928. (p. 7)

The members of the Territorial Force who are training in the Bordon area had a trying experience during the week-end owing to the severity of the weather. Storms of wind and rain on Saturday ruined the rifle shooting at Bisley. (p. 16)

Canon R. A. Mitchell, vicar of St. Michael's, Chester-square, has been appointed Dean of Lincoln. (p. 10)

The Easter Congress of the Kent Chess Association opened at Canterbury on Saturday. (p. 6)

POLITICS

The conference of the Independent Labour Party at Birmingham passed by a large majority a resolution endorsing the action of Mr. Maxton and those members of the party who supported him in the recent debates and proceedings on the Unemployment Insurance Bill in Parliament, and congratulating them on the stand they made. (pp. 10 and 12)

IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN

On the night of Friday-Saturday a party of armed raiders attacked the police and railway armouries at Chittagong, Bengal. Arms were stolen and the buildings set alight. Six or seven persons are reported to have been killed. The Viceroy, in a special ordinance, has re-promulgated certain expiring sections of the Bengal Criminal Code, giving powers against terrorist outbreaks. Stringent precautions have been taken to prevent disturbances in Calcutta. (p. 10)

The agreement for the restoration of Wei-hai-wei to China by Great Britain has been signed at Nanking. Our Peking Correspondent states that it may be presumed that the arrangement come to will permit British ships to use the harbour as heretofore and afford recognition of leases granted to British subjects during the British occupation. (p. 10)

The Kanchenjunga expedition had, according to a dispatch dated April 15, reached Dzongri, and was hopeful of crossing the Kang Pass in one day into Nepal. (p. 9)

The last rails of the railway from Turkestan to Siberia, which was begun by the Soviet Government in 1927, have now been laid. (p. 9)

In an outbreak in the State prison at Howard, Rhode Island, on Saturday two persons were killed and three injured. (p. 10)

An attempt to postpone until the June Session the consideration by the French Chamber of Deputies of the Senate's Bill amending the social insurance scheme was defeated on Saturday by 450 votes to 33. The proposals for reducing the taxes on site values and financial operations were explained to the Finance Committee of the Chamber by M. Tardieu and the Minister of Finance. (p. 9)

One hundred and forty persons were burnt to death in a fire which destroyed a little church in the village of Cotesti, in Rumania, on Good Friday evening. (p. 9)

The Polish Government has, our Berlin Correspondent states, protested against the increases in the German agrarian tariff on the ground that they are contrary to the Tariff Truce Convention and alter the basis on which the German-Polish Trade Treaty was recently concluded. (p. 9)

The Duchess of Bedford reached Cape Town aerodrome on Saturday afternoon, having flown from England in nine days. She begins the return journey to-day. (p. 10)

It is reported from Friedrichshafen that the Graf Zeppelin is to carry out on Saturday next a North Sea flight during which she will break her journey at Cardington. (p. 9)

The Anglo-Soviet trade agreement is approved in Moscow as a victory for Soviet diplomacy. (p. 10)

COURT AND PERSONAL

The Prince of Wales left Cairo last night for Port Said, where he will embark for England. (p. 10)

SPORT

Race Meetings under National Hunt Rules were held on Saturday at Plumpton, Southwell, and Carlisle. (p. 3)

Cardiff beat the Barbarians in a Rugby Football match at Cardiff on Saturday by 11 points to nine. (p. 4)

The Arsenal and Huddersfield played a drawn match at Huddersfield on Saturday in the League Football Championship, each side scoring two goals; Chelsea beat Cardiff City at Stamford Bridge by one goal to none in their last home fixture of the season. (p. 4)

England beat Holland in the first international hockey match between the two countries at Scarborough on Saturday by nine goals to one; a junior team from the Uhlenhorster Club, Hamburg, played a drawn match with a Public Schools eleven at Kingston and the various festivals were continued. (p. 5)

The Melbury Lawn Tennis Tournament was concluded on Saturday, when N. Sharpe beat O. G. N. Turnbull in the final round of the Singles; E. R. Avory won the Surrey Singles Championship at Roehampton when he beat S. W. Harris in the final round. (p. 4)

The Golf Tournament by Foursomes for the Sidgwick Cup was continued over the links of the Royal St. George's Club at Sandwich on Saturday. (p. 5)

MONUMENTS OF ENGLAND

The danger believed to threaten the Roman wall has already had good effects. It has been the means of reminding the public, which has certainly not fully understood the consequences of scheduling an ancient monument, how ill protected in the last resort a scheduled monument may be if the owner is determined to disturb or demolish it. The protection in fact given by the order lasts only for eighteen months unless Parliament intervenes, and, after the expiration of that period, it cannot again be applied to the same monument for five years, during which time the monument may be irreparably destroyed. Worse even in some respects than this is the utter inability of any authority to intervene against disfiguring works set up or conducted in the close neighbourhood of an ancient monument. Protection by schedule, as MR. JOHN BAILEY explained in his recent letter, is not merely temporary; it is also partial. A factory, he declares, might be erected within fifty yards of an abbey like Fountains, and no power could stop it. A garage, as everyone knows, will soon be in being perilously near the Glastonbury ruins. In these circumstances it is not surprising that MR. CLOUGH WILLIAMS-ELLIS, president of the Design and Industries Association, should be moved to protest as strongly and bitterly as he did on Saturday, declaring that we are at present "almost defenceless "against outrage of any and every sort from "whatever cause or quarter threatened"; that "private piety" can "only slightly retard our "rake's progress," and that every Government has shirked its responsibility where it alone could have secured orderly development, reasonable conservation, and general fair dealing. By many who care for these things MR. WILLIAMS-ELLIS will hardly be thought to have written with undue warmth; but a more practical letter, because it makes definite suggestions, comes to-day from SIR ARNOLD WILSON, who enlarges on proposals which he advocated last year before the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.

SIR ARNOLD WILSON begins with a remark so true that it is difficult to keep pace with its truth—namely, the unprecedented rapidity with which the face of England is changing. There has indeed been no comparable movement as swift. Public opinion, however, he believes to be favourable, and there can be little question that he is right, for not only is it organized in several influential bodies, like his own and the National Trust, but any such selfish opposition as was offered to the first mild piece of legislation which was put forward in 1875, when the member for Carlisle, whom he quotes, spoke, would command no sympathy. He is convinced, however, that there can be no progress without legislation, thus bearing out the impression which many must have derived from the inefficacy of existing measures; and he proposes two concrete suggestions, in which it will be seen that he wishes to make in a double sense a synthesis of the agencies which at present work for the preservation of monuments, buildings, sites, and open spaces. The one asks for the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to review all existing legislation affecting them, and to study the provisions made for their preservation in other countries. The other, more practical, advocates the setting up of a Statutory Committee to work in with the existing agencies and to strengthen their hands, with Parliamentary money at its disposal in equal proportion to private money, and with power to cooperate financially with the competent local authorities. Needless to say a Statutory Committee of this kind would be a marked step forward, for there has been no legislation since 1913, and since then the face of England has been undergoing far-reaching changes. The general case for it is also supported by the Ancient Monuments Advisory Committee's report in 1921. In the plainest terms the country was then told that its interest in and duty towards its national monuments was far behind that which is embodied in the legislation of other countries, and that "numbers of monuments of the very "first importance are entirely without protection "as far as statutory powers are concerned."

Opportunely, our Paris Correspondent sends us to-day an account of how the French guard their monuments. Their deliberate methods contrast strongly with our want of them. The law in France is exceedingly comprehensive, and is now, as our Correspondent puts it, such as to provide in effect for the "perpetual "preservation" of all that we here in our better moments admire and value; even movables are included. Classification, minute and thorough, is the first step, and, while a proprietor's interests are respected, classified property passes virtually under Ministerial control. No building in the immediate vicinity of a classified monument is allowed without Ministerial consent, nor are repairs. In some details the law may appear decidedly advanced to English eyes, and our Correspondent does not overlook defects in its working; but it has the unquestionable merit of drawing the good will of proprietors and the pecuniary support of the wealthy. When money is needed, it is not raised by that process of "blackmail" which angers MR. WILLIAMS-ELLIS, but by mutual fair dealing between the parties. In the long run, such a safeguarding of the "manifestations of the human genius" cannot but be profitable to the country which adopts it; for it is those creations which very largely dignify life and make its leisure hours worth living. Leisure is one of the demands of the day, and locomotion is one of its leading features. The two go together, but the latter, while able to bring beauty of all kinds into the common reach as never before, has also its destructive side, since it can transport the hideous and incongruous only too quickly into places a few years ago untainted by them. It is not an alarmist cry to say that the time is growing short, for our island is small, and ancient monuments, historic buildings, unsullied open spaces—our human and our natural heritage—can now be ruined or made ridiculous almost in a day by sheer thoughtlessness, quite as much as by planned stupidity.

The Chittagong Outrage

Rioting in Calcutta, Bombay, and Karachi last week has now been followed by an armed and organized raid on Government arsenals. On Friday night a gang of about a hundred strong attacked and burned the railway and police arsenals at Chittagong, not far from Calcutta, destroyed a number of rifles and machine-guns, killed six people, wounded a number of others, and finally escaped to the hills, where efforts are being made to surround and capture them. It is the most serious outrage which has yet occurred in connexion with the extremist campaign; but that is not to say that it will further the object of the campaign, which is clearly to terrorize back into the ranks of the "non-cooperators" the moderates who had declared their readiness to take part in the round-table conference arranged to follow the publication of the Statutory Commission's Report. The success or failure of the design behind these outbreaks of physical violence will depend very largely on the way in which they are handled by the authorities whose duty it is to maintain order in India and to frustrate the efforts which are being made by an irresponsible minority to wrest out of their hands the control of India's political development. It will depend largely, too, on the loyalty and the confidence with which those authorities are supported in this country. They alone are conversant with all the factors which have to be taken into account, and the best help that can be given them in this country is to refrain from hasty, and necessarily ill-informed, criticism, or even advice, and especially, perhaps, from impatient inquiries as to why this or that measure is not taken.

In order to give the Bengal Government the powers they may need to suppress what has now become a campaign of violent sedition, the VICEROY has promulgated an ordinance reviving the lapsed sections of the Bengal Criminal Law Amendment Act. This Act as passed five years ago provided for the trial of terrorists by special commissioners, and conferred on the Executive power to arrest and detain suspects without trial. As was explained by MR. WEDGWOOD BENN in the House of Commons last month, it was due to lapse the day after to-morrow. It was, however, re-enacted for another five years on April 1 last by the Bengal Legislative Assembly, but only as regards the sections providing for the rapid trial of terrorists; the sections giving the Government powers of arrest and detention without trial were allowed to lapse. But the GOVERNOR of BENGAL, in announcing to the Assembly his Government's policy with reference to those powers, said: "They sincerely trust that no "emergency will necessitate their resumption, "but they cannot conceal from themselves the "possibility that such an emergency might again "arise which might make it essential for them to "be in possession of these powers. They have "accordingly been in communication with the "Government of India on this matter, and I am "accordingly authorized to state that the "Governor-General in Council and His "Majesty's Government, if they are satisfied "of the existence of such an emergency, will "be prepared to approve the necessary steps "for securing these powers to my Government "again." The emergency plainly has arisen, and the Bengal Government have been given the powers they need to deal with the instigators of last week's murderous rioting in Calcutta and with the organizers of Friday night's raid on the Chittagong arsenals. Used with discrimination and the equally necessary firmness they should enable the Government to forestall further outrages.

Fighting the Locust

The simultaneous mass attacks by locusts on Egypt and Palestine appear for the moment to have been repulsed; but the danger of widespread devastation which would be caused by successful invasions cannot yet be regarded as decisively removed. The enemy upon whom defeats have so far been inflicted by all the most modern means of scientific destruction consists of the young battalions still in the "hopper" stage of growth; and the chief present danger is that full-grown fliers may be carried right across the defences by favouring winds and enabled to alight in the cultivated regions behind them. The causes of these periodic migrations of the desert locust are still insufficiently ascertained; and, although the locust was probably the first insect in history to be recognized as a noxious pest, relatively little information is even now available about the location of their breeding grounds, or the probable moment and direction of their formidable mass migrations. But, if knowledge of their habits is not very much more advanced than it was in the days of the Pharaohs, the means of combating them are at least far more effective. Some of the engines of war invented by man for the destruction of man are now turned upon the locust. He is consumed by fireguns on the ground, and chased by aeroplanes when moving on the wing. He is poisoned, crushed, trapped in mile-long trenches; his progress is barred by leagues of zinc screens which deny any purchase to his feet; and his ancient enemy the stork is mobilized in troupes of many thousands to consume him with avidity. Most of these devices are effective only against the larval locust, whose wings are undeveloped and who advances like a grasshopper. Invasions in the later stages of growth, when the swarms are winged, appear fortunately to be less frequent; but it is indeed a tribute to the powers of this extraordinary insect, not more than two or three inches long, unendowed by Nature with noxious sting or bite, or with protective armour of any particular efficacy, that it is still a match for the defensive ingenuity of twentieth century civilization. It is still a terror that every now and again can devastate a whole province, and swiftly and completely transform into a wilderness a district of luxuriant vegetation.

The destruction wrought by locusts in recent years is very great. There have been outbreaks in the Sudan, Kenya, and Iraq, as well as in Palestine and the Sinai Peninsula. The local agricultural and garden products have been seriously diminished, and the export trade adversely affected. Destruction of crops has caused loss of wages to labour, and involved expenditure upon relief. In Kenya last year a special sum of £50,000 was voted; and the other day the Egyptian Government asked for a credit of £E.70,000 for the cost of the campaign which is now being waged. Thanks to the timely measures now usually taken, there has been no recent destruction equal to that which afflicted Palestine in 1915. In that year the orange groves of the Jaffa district were entirely stripped of both leaves and fruit; no grapes were harvested; it was calculated that 80 per cent. of the olive trees were defoliated and lost their crops, and about half the almond orchards were destroyed. But the methods of combating the locust swarms, even if they have been improved, are still only palliatives hastily devised. After each invasion the attention of the administration is relaxed; and there does not appear to have been any systematic collection, collation, and dissemination of information between all the territories affected. For the British Empire the activities of the locust are particularly important, for, in addition to the countries already mentioned, Uganda, Tanganyika, Somaliland, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, India, and Cyprus suffer, or have at times suffered, from serious invasions of these pests. Some admirable recommendations were indeed put forward by the Myers sub-committee of the Committee of Civil Research, which was appointed by the Conservative Government last year and reported to its successor, the present British Government; and an agreement, which has only been issued as a White Paper within the last few days, was actually signed at Damascus in 1926 by representatives of Turkey, Iraq, Transjordan, Palestine, and Syria for the establishment of an "International Bureau "of Intelligence on Locusts." But the burden of both Reports is that more information is required. The interests of all nations having African possessions are involved; and the cost of an international investigation would in all probability very soon be more than counterbalanced by the benefits of organized preventive measures based upon scientific observation.

Hillside History

It is pleasant to hear that remote posterity will read at least one of the works of literature now being produced. A short history of the United States, from the declaration of Independence to the present time, is about to be brought out for the special benefit of future ages. The edition is being limited to one copy, but that copy will be sufficient for everybody, for the history is to be carved in the rock of Mount Rushmoore in the Black Hills. It will be illustrated by figures similarly carved, and 420 feet high, showing WASHINGTON, JEFFERSON, LINCOLN, and ROOSEVELT. It is expected to last for 500,000 years. The author is to be EX-PRESIDENT COOLIDGE, for the whole history has to be told in 500 words at the very most, though it is generally hoped that nothing like that number will be needed. What matters is not the number of words, but their size. The page of rock available is nearly 10,000 feet square and the history will be legible miles away. So far as Nature is concerned, no obstacle is being put in the way of posterity's learning some American history, for the rate of erosion of the rock surface is only an inch in 100,000 years. The chief threat to posterity's enjoyment comes from man, for it is frankly recognized that future progress may decree the removal of the mountain. Unless that happens, all should go well. The letters will be gilded to catch the western sun, and the name of COOLIDGE will take high rank among the classical historians of a remote antiquity.

It is admirably just that the laconic statesman should endure where the voluminous professional writers perish. Perhaps TACITUS would have written more genially if he had been honoured with a similar invitation. But it is only natural that ambitious novelists should start asking themselves what other good rock surfaces there may be. The congestion in the book world is severe, and, if those writers who are content to wait for their reward would seek the canyons, the Dolomites, or even Cheddar Caves, the strain on the living public would be very much eased. There is, of course, the other form of composition, for humbler authors who are ashamed to let their thoughts take up more paper than is strictly necessary. News has just come to hand, from the same country in which MR. COOLIDGE is maturing his history, that the speech made by KING GEORGE at the opening of the Naval Conference has been successfully copied on a postage stamp. But authors are rarely humble, and it is far more likely that they will think of the downs, knowing for how long turf monuments have already lasted. It is true that the War Office authorities have recently been taken to book for failing to make much of their White Horse at Westbury. Figures in the chalk need constant care, especially when they are, like the two or three really old white horses of England, the dumbest of all dumb animals, unable to give any account of the man who cut them or why. No one grudges the constant care they need, and, if like the great sire at Uffington they are immemorial beasts, it is a national privilege to see to their modest wants. But it is natural if living writers, seeing the grassy slopes from the railway line, should feel envious pangs when they read of MR. COOLIDGE and wish that the nation might invite them to pick out in the chalk their serials and sonnets.

"MORE MONEY TO SPEND"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—In *The Times* of April 17 (page 9) I find Mr. Runciman's orthodox free trade argument in favour of repeal of the McKenna duties; as these duties result (so Mr. Runciman says) in higher prices for cars, car purchasers have, therefore, less to spend on "other things." On page 11 of the same issue I find a trade union deputation, introduced by that stout free-trader Commander Kenworthy, complaining of the presence of Asiatic seamen in British shipping, and "expressing a desire for restriction of the employment of foreigners in British ships while so many British seamen were unemployed." But, surely, if Mr. Runciman is correct, this ousting of the British seaman is all to the advantage of the British people. For the shipowners, by employing cheap foreign labour, will certainly have more money to spend on "other things."

Am I to understand that it is beneficial to throw British motor mechanics out of work, but injurious to throw out British seamen? Or is it wrong to underpay labour, but right to purchase the output of underpaid labour?

Yours faithfully,
J. CHARTRES MOLONY.

The Manor House, West Hendred, Wantage, Berks.

PITT'S LAST WORDS

A NEW VERSION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The last words of famous men are often of interest as illustrating their peculiar characteristics—Vespasian's "Ut puto Deus fio"; Rabelais's "Je vais chercher un grand Peut-être"; Heine's "Dieu me pardonnera—c'est son métier"; and the last words of Pitt the Younger have often been quoted in this connexion as illustrating his pre-eminent patriotism or (according to another tradition) his fondness for veal pies.

Now there are, if I am not mistaken, three versions of his dying words. First there is Stanhope's account, "My country, how I love my country"; next there is the amended version adopted by Professor Holland Rose, "My country, how I leave my country"; finally there is yet another story, not positively adopted in Lord Rosebery's Life of Pitt, but enshrined in an appendix to that work, according to which the last words of the great patriot were, "I think I could eat one of Bellamy's veal pies." And indeed there may perhaps be some danger of this version becoming the accepted one, for *difficilior lectio potior*; and, in addition, this account has, shall we say? the Stracheian advantage of being less heroic and less edifying than the other two. But in fact it rests for its validity solely upon the authority of the gossip of an old waiter of the House of Commons (by name, of course, Bellamy), who was no doubt anxious to stress his own historical importance when talking to members, and particularly perhaps to Mr. Disraeli, who preserved the anecdote and handed it on to Lord Rosebery.

But meanwhile another version has come to light, which seems to carry with it the stamp of authenticity; for it comes to us from no less an authority than that of Canning. And this version, while it still retains all the patriotic feeling of the usual text "My country, how I leave my country," yet presents the same sentiment in a simpler and less dramatic form; in a form, in fact, which one must be almost irresistibly compelled to agree with Canning in considering as far more characteristic of Pitt's typically English mentality. I subjoin the relevant passage from a letter of January 29, 1806, addressed by Canning to Lord Granville Leveson-Gower, and now to be found printed in the Granville Correspondence, edited by Castalia Countess Granville:—

> For the last week before his death he saw nobody, except his physicians and attendants, and the Bishop of Lincoln now and then for a few minutes at a time. He spoke not one word of politicks foreign or domestic, except that on the morning of the day on which he died, he said to the Bp., *not*, as you will see in the newspapers reported from Rose's speech, "O! my Country!" which is an expression wholly unlike his usual simplicity of character (like enough to what his Father would have said, perhaps), but simply, "I am sorry to leave the country in such a situation."

I am, &c.,
H. V. F. SOMERSET.

Worcester College, Oxford.

LEFT? RIGHT?

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—Thank you for stating the basis of the road problem in eight words—"Uniformity is the need, the public cannot read"; I would add, "The authorities fear to lead," for that is why this Eastertide will see some 20 killed and hundreds wounded each day. Having agreed to uniformity, the advice as to the choice of right or left is for the Government. It remains inert! The daily iterated warnings of the B.B.C. to road users would have had more point if, in addition to saying "be careful," they could add how to be careful.

It is precisely because the public will not read that the uniform rule is so important. I have given reasons for preferring "Keep left" as a slogan. They may be inadequate; I doubt it; but it is a matter of life and death to get the campaign started, and it will never start effectively save on the basis of uniformity and simplicity. The views of Michael Faraday, the exceptions of one-way streets, the need for a shop-gazers' white line, the roads without footways, which my opponents drag up like King Charles's head, might be left alone in sheer pity for the bulk of the slain and maimed.

I am your obedient servant,
MERVYN O'GORMAN.

21, Embankment-gardens, Chelsea, S.W.3.

MODES OF ADDRESS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—You lately published some correspondence with reference to the most courteous manner of ending a formal letter. It seems to me that the opening phrases of such a letter are of even greater importance. A letter I have just received begins as follows:—

> My Lord,—To your Lordship, bearer of your ancestors' glorious name, who by birth, education, wealth, and social position excels the common level of men, I apply, &c., &c.

It seems to me that politeness can go no farther.

Yours faithfully,
DUFFERIN AND AVA.

Clandeboye, Northern Ireland.

THE BUDGET

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—So far as I understand the Chancellor of the Exchequer's speech, he is definitely against the renewal of any safeguarding duties, and, so far as I understand, this opposition is based on his antipathy to any duties on imported goods which contravene the theory on which I have been brought up, commonly known as free trade. Without expressing any opinion on the theories of free trade or safeguarding, I should have thought that anyone in a responsible position would have said:—"For so many years we have had safeguarding tariffs. Is the result to the country good or bad? And on the answer to that depends the position I take with regard to the future."

Yours truly,
J. T. STEELE.

19, New Bridge-street, E.C.4, April 17.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—To-day I came across a passage in Tacitus (Ann. II., 38) which seems strangely appropriate at the present. The Emperor Tiberius is deprecating the pressure put upon him through the Senate for increased "doles" (*subsidia*). The effect is described by Tacitus, with that felicity which has lately been the subject of commendation, in these words:—"Languescet alioqui industria, intendetur socordia, si nullus ex se metus aut spes, et securi omnes aliena subsidia exspectabunt, sibi ignavi, nobis graves." One empire has been ruined thus. Can we not take warning?

Yours faithfully,
B. D. TURNER.

Bryn Estyn, Hough Green, Chester, April 15.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—

> Where is Queen Katharine now?
> "Q. Kath. . . . The subjects' grief
> Comes through commissions, which compel from each
> The sixth part of his substance, to be levied
> Without delay; . . .
> . . . I would your highness
> Would give it quick consideration, for
> There is no primer business."
> —*King Henry VIII.*, I. ii.

I am, &c.,
J. M.

GIVING THE CAMEL THE HUMP

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—May I congratulate "Ex Africa" on writing, and you on publishing, the story of Bu Safari at such a happily chosen moment? This story may call forth ere too late the much-coveted British saving sense of humour so that the voters of this "green and pleasant land" may remove to a rest house our doctrinaires, bureaucrats, and demagogues. My years will soon be threescore and ten, and I can remember no single social experiment that has succeeded (except in appearance, and for the moment). The last state has always been worse than the first. The old-age pension is a "pension," and not an "experiment."

I remain, Sir, yours truly,
ALEX. C. IONIDES, Jr.

34, Porchester-terrace, W.2, April 16.

THE MONUMENTS OF FRANCE

AN EXAMPLE OF STATE CARE

AZAY AND CHARTRES

Recent discussion of the difficulties of preserving monuments of antiquity in Britain, notably exemplified in relation to Hadrian's Wall, Glastonbury, and other instances, lends interest to the following article on the care which is taken by the Government of France to acquire and maintain historic property.

(From Our Paris Correspondent)

Anybody who has visited the historic and artistic monuments of France during the last few years must have noticed a marked improvement in the manner in which they are preserved, and been impressed by the great work of restoration which is everywhere in progress. Azay-le-Rideau, not the largest, but certainly one of the most beautiful of the châteaux of the Loire, provides an excellent example of how a property is maintained once it has been acquired by the State.

When the Government bought Azay in 1905, the château had already suffered slightly from the excess of restoration zeal which was inspired by the writings and acts of Viollet-le-Duc. Much, however, remained to be done to assure its preservation. About the same time the château of Vez was bequeathed to the State, with an annual income of 40,000 francs for its upkeep. This sum being in excess of the requirements, the Government prevailed upon the executors of the will to allow a substantial part to be allocated to the restoration of Azay. The most urgent work, including the repair of the roof, was undertaken and the grounds were set in good order. A collection of Renaissance pictures and objects from the Museum of Cluny, which happily distract the eye from the crude paintings and carvings of the mid-nineteenth century restorations, was then installed in the chief rooms of the château, and the future of Azay-le-Rideau as a place of pilgrimage for sightseers and tourists was assured. Recently the beams of the great hall showed signs of weakening, and, the credit having been immediately granted by the Government, are now being reinforced with concrete so that no trace of restoration will be visible from below. The average of 30,000 people, each paying an entrance fee of two francs, who visit the château annually proves that the investment of so much money has not only a sentimental justification but yields a substantial return.

FROM 1841 TO 1929

The protection of France's inheritance from the past has long been a preoccupation of successive Governments. A first attempt at legislation was made in 1841, and the text of this law embodying many alterations and additions was finally redrafted in 1913. The War and successive economic difficulties hampered its application to a great extent, and it is only now, when the country's financial position is again assured, that it is becoming possible to judge of its efficacy and limitations.

The scope of the Bill is much broader than its title—"Law concerning historical monuments"—and the fact that its administration is entrusted to the Commission for Historical Monuments appointed by the Ministry of Public Instruction and Fine Arts seem to imply. It provides in effect for the perpetual preservation of all excavations, sites, buildings or parts of buildings, and movable objects of prehistoric, archæological, historic, artistic, or even sentimental interest. Any manifestation of human genius which has contributed towards, or been associated with, the development of France may benefit by its protection.

The first step towards the assurance of such protection is known as classification. This may be taken either in response to a request from the proprietor of the monument in question, be it the State, a municipality, a commune, a public body, or a private person, made to the Minister of Public Instruction, or upon the recommendation of the Commission for Historical Monuments. In the latter case the Ministry of Fine Arts invites the proprietor—if it be the State, through the medium of the Ministry under whose administration the monument lies; if a municipality, or commune, through the Prefect or the Mayor—to furnish any reason why it should not be classified. If the proprietor fails to do this but still opposes the intention of the Minister, the classification may be declared by a decree of the Council of State. In the case of privately owned property, the proprietor is entitled to claim from the State an indemnity for any prejudice to its value which might be covered by classification. A property once classified passes virtually into the control of the Ministry of Fine Arts. No building may be erected upon it or in its immediate vicinity, nor may any work of restoration or modification be undertaken except with the consent and under the supervision of the Ministry, and the proprietor is forced, at the risk of temporary expropriation, to provide such repairs as the Ministry consider necessary. In compensation for these severe restrictions the Ministry may contribute towards the upkeep and restoration of privately owned classified property; and so generous are these contributions that proprietors are often anxious to accept the disadvantages of classification in order to secure the collaboration of the Ministry in the maintenance of their property. The budget of the Ministry of Fine Arts for 1929 shows that during that year 70 buildings belonging to the State were added to the list of classified monuments, together with 40 privately owned properties, and that 10,000,000 francs out of a total of 16,500,000 francs at their disposal were allocated by the Commission of Historical Monuments to restoration and repair.

THE ARCHITECTS

The maintenance and restoration of classified buildings are assured by architects officially appointed by the Ministry of Fine Arts. Every Department possesses one or more architects whose function it is to recommend for classification any piece of property which has escaped previous notice, to draw the attention of the central authorities to all necessary works of restoration and repair, to estimate for such works, and finally, when the credits have been granted, to be responsible for execution. These local architects are dependent upon a number of architects in chief, each of whom has 10 or 11 departments in his care, and these in turn are under the control of inspectors directly responsible to the Commission for Historical Monuments.

The advantages and disadvantages of so highly centralized a system are obvious. Before a recommendation for classification or a proposal for restoration can receive the sanction of the Ministry, it has been submitted to the scrutiny of a number of authorities in a position to judge of its claims from every point of view. A standard of artistic and archæological competence in any work undertaken is thereby assured, and a fair distribution of funds, based on relative importance, is achieved. On the other hand, small works of which the real necessity is perhaps only apparent to the specialist in the history or archæology of some particular district may sometimes be overlooked or indefinitely postponed in favour of a more obvious but by no means more interesting enterprise.

An index of classified property and a supplementary list of recommendations are kept at the prefecture of each Department. In

order to form some idea of the administration of the law, it is essential to examine one of these lists in detail. That of the Department of the Indre et Loire, which may be seen at Tours, provides as good an example as may be found in France. Although the Indre et Loire is generally recognized as, historically and artistically, one of the richest Departments in the country, the length of this catalogue and the variety of the entries must surprise anyone unfamiliar with the thoroughness of French administration. The index to the town of Tours alone covers several closely typewritten pages, and contains every building or architectural feature, every picture or object of archaeological or artistic interest, from the Cathedral with all that it contains to some fragments of sculpture on the façade of an old house.

A PIECE OF NEEDLEWORK

The châteaux and country houses of the Department, whether they belong to the State or to a private owner, are catalogued in as great detail, but the greater part of the list consists of the treasures to be found in the small towns and outlying villages. There seems, indeed, to be hardly an inhabited centre in the Indre et Loire which does not possess some building or object worthy of State protection. In some it may be no more than a piece of old needlework which has been incorporated in a cope in daily use at the parish church, in others a chalice, a piece of Gothic tracery, a curious gable or belfry, the façade of an eighteenth-century building or the house in which some famous man was born or died. Nothing is too insignificant for the notice of the surveyors or too onerous for the responsibility of the State. One cannot indeed help wondering how the Ministry of Fine Arts manages, with the limited funds at its disposal, to meet such vast liabilities.

When a monument in need of repair belongs to a municipality or commune, or is in private hands, the fair division of expenses between State and proprietor sometimes presents difficulty. If a friendly agreement, such as that recently concluded between the Government and the Académie de France with regard to the Château of Langeais, cannot be arrived at restoration may be indefinitely delayed. A case in point is the Tour de Charlemagne at Tours. A portion of this building collapsed two years ago, and while the remainder is shored up with scaffolding, restoration has not yet been begun, as the Municipality of Tours will not consent to subscribe the sum demanded by the Government. The Government can, as a last resort, impose its decision on the municipality, but every effort will first be made to arrive at a friendly agreement, and, though in the meantime all precautions to prevent further damage are being taken, the danger of such delays is apparent.

HELP FROM THE RICH

Another disadvantage of the system is illustrated by the church at Preuilly-sur-Claise. This, the most important Romanesque church in Touraine, recently began to show unmistakable signs of subsidence. The authorities were notified, instructions to close the church were issued, and an estimate for restoration was drawn up. Unfortunately, the Commune with the best will in the world was unable to produce the required sum at once. The money will no doubt be found by the practice of economy in other directions, but for the time being the work cannot be begun, the Commune is deprived of the use of its church and is liable for the rent of the scaffolding, an item of some importance in the budget of a town of 1,500 inhabitants.

Although the same principles apply to the preservation and repair of buildings of such national importance as the Châteaux of Versailles and Fontainebleau, and the great Cathedrals of northern France, these often enjoy special advantages. France has the good fortune to inspire, and the good sense to accept, the generosity of rich philanthropists. The work which the Rockefeller Fund has enabled to be carried out at Versailles, Fontainebleau and Rheims is too great to be examined here. A later and less known instance has been the restoration of the Chapel of Saint Piat in the Cathedral of Chartres at the joint expense of the State and an American benefactor, Mr. Sacks. This virtually finishes a vast work of repair which has been in progress for the last 50 years.

Since the State took its preservation in hand, work has never ceased upon the Cathedral. The unequal quality of the stone, of which large portions were found upon examination to be of the consistency of soft clay, and the haphazard way in which parts of the Cathedral had been constructed, rendered this undertaking particularly arduous and difficult. Both north and south porches had to be rebuilt almost from their foundations, and the pinnacle of the south tower entirely replaced, not to speak of innumerable less important repairs. At the end of the War every pane of the stained glass windows was removed, cleaned and replaced in new leading, and only the Chapel of Saint Piat remained to be restored. This is now nearing completion, the altar has been rebuilt, the tracery of the windows replaced, and the pinnacles of the two towers which flank the east end restored to their original shape and in their original material. With the exception of Mr. Sacks's donation, all the work has been done at the expense of the State, without any demand on the municipality or the inhabitants of Chartres.

ARTISTIC STANDARDS

This Cathedral may, indeed, be considered the finest example of the advantages of State control of national monuments, and the method of restoration suggests the artistic and archaeological standards of the Government. The ideals which inspired the Gothic revival and were so assiduously propagated by Viollet-le-Duc have been abandoned. No longer is any attempt made to copy the appearance of a building at the moment of its construction. The contributions of later ages, though they may not be in perfect keeping with the conception of the original artist, are respected, and if they must be removed or modified, in order to give full value to some earlier and more significant feature, the work is guided by intelligence and discretion. Competent authority has at last realized that the past cannot be repeated, and that it is the duty of the present to preserve what exists, rather than try to restore what is gone. So long as these standards are kept, and the Government is able to find the necessary funds, the future of the monuments of France is as assured as their past is venerable.

** Pictures appear on p. 14.

POLICE PROMOTIONS

Several promotions in the Criminal Investigation Department of Scotland Yard were announced on Saturday. Inspector E. Edwards has been promoted Divisional Detective Inspector to succeed Divisional Detective Inspector J. Pride, who retired from the Hackney Division last week. Other promotions include that of Detective-sergeant Young to Inspector and Detective-sergeant G. Hester to Inspector. Both are young officers and are at present serving at "Central," which is the "Yard" itself, and their services are being retained there. Detective Inspector Young was engaged with Chief Inspector Prothero in the Southampton garage murder case. Detective Inspector G. Hester was for a time in charge of the detective staff at Great Marlborough-street.

Easter Conferences

I.L.P. POLICY

SUPPORT FOR THE "REBELS"

MR. MAXTON'S CRITICISM OF LEADERS

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BIRMINGHAM, APRIL 20

The annual conference of the Independent Labour Party began in the Birmingham Town Hall yesterday, when Mr. James Maxton, M.P., gave his presidential address, and was continued to-day.

Mr. MAXTON was cordially cheered when he rose to give his address as chairman. Speaking from a platform decorated with red, white, and blue hyacinths, he referred to the events which had led to the slogan "Socialism in Our Time" and what had come to be known as the living income policy. The philosophy behind that policy, he said, was in contradistinction to the gradualistic and evolutionary view held and expressed by the leaders of the Labour Party on the one hand and the catastrophic view held by the Communists on the other hand.

"IN OUR TIME"

They saw to-day in the great countries of the world millions of men and women standing idle and millions of pounds of capital deteriorating through disuse, and yet they had oversupplies of all the important raw materials and foodstuffs. This proved in peace what was amply demonstrated in war, the power of the nations to produce goods even with large masses of unused labour standing by. Every day they heard of some new device which saved human labour and increased production, but in the midst of abundance there was want and the dread of want. They had to prove to their fellow-men that the problem at this stage was one of distribution, and not of production; one of cooperation, not of competition. When would they have a Five-Power or a Ten-Power Conference to consider the world's needs in wheat, coal, cotton, and wool, and the just proportion that each should produce and each receive? Surely America did not want to steal all the work of the world away from us! Surely we did not want to dig all the world's coal! The elimination of competition which proceeded so rapidly inside particular industries in individual nations must be carried by the nations on to the world scale.

"Here I enter my strongest criticism," Mr. Maxton said, "of industrial and political leaders who have lent themselves, the power and prestige of their movement, and even of the State now in their charge, to further schemes of rationalization as being a means of curing unemployment and poverty. It is not the function of a Labour and Socialist movement to develop and improve capitalist industry. Its job is to endeavour to own and control the industry and distribute its product. It is obvious that, even with world production inefficiently organized as it is to-day, and with the present waste of labour, power, capital, and national resources, there is already sufficient wealth produced to supply every one with all the necessities of life and many of the smaller luxuries. The Socialist would make the fullest use of scientific knowledge to produce an ever-increasing supply of material things, but insists that at this juncture the fair distribution of what already exists is a more urgent question than the increasing of production. Those statesmen, whether Labour or other, who postpone the solution of this problem till after rationalization or till after certain changes have been made in the financial standing of the country, are failing to see clearly their duty to the nation and to humanity. I am, therefore, most insistent that the I.L.P. should emphasize the "In our time" aspect of its propaganda in order to compel statesmen and thinkers of all kinds not to shuffle the dealing with this difficult problem on to some future generation, but to accept it as their prime task."

FIGHT WITH VESTED INTERESTS

Mr. Maxton added that the further function of the I.L.P. was to insist on the immediate increasing of the consuming power of the workers. To him it was nothing short of disgraceful that, with a Labour Government in power, the workers in important industries like cotton and wool should suffer reductions in wages, and the miners be unable to raise their standard of life above what had been declared by Labour leaders to be starvation level. To put these standards into operation required drastic taxation of the rich, and it was regrettable that the Chancellor of the Exchequer had not issued a definite challenge to the great vested interests in this way and at this time. They should not quail before the vested interests of the country. If the workers were to come up the vested interests had got to go down. It meant a fight in any case, but the workers of this country would back such a fight and give a minority Government the power of a majority. Such taxation would be met by the threat of finance and capital to leave the country, but the carrying of the threat into operation would provide Labour with the opportunity and the necessity for assuming ownership and control of both finance and industrial capital. The Cooperative movement offered clear proof of the ability of the working class to carry on all the functions of production and distribution. The Lord Privy Seal would have served the working class of the nation better if he had taken into his councils the experienced and capable men and women of the Cooperative movement rather than wooed railway directors, cotton magnates, and City financiers; and the same might be said with reference to the Government generally in the manning of the multifarious commissions of inquiry they had set up.

THE PARLIAMENTARY GROUP

This morning the conference discussed the report of the National Administrative Council. When the section dealing with Parliamentary activities was reached Miss BROWNING (London central branch) moved a resolution instructing the N.A.C. to reconstruct the I.L.P. Parliamentary group on the basis of acceptance of the policy of the I.L.P. as laid down by the decisions of annual conference and as interpreted by the N.A.C., and to limit endorsements of future I.L.P. Parliamentary candidates to nominees who accept this basis. Miss Browning recalled that the Carlisle Conference passed a resolution asking all I.L.P. members to vote against war credits. As an illustration of what was happening she said that only eight out of 37 I.L.P. members for whom the party was financially responsible voted against the Air Estimates and the Army Estimates.

Mr. W. J. BROWN, M.P., who seconded the resolution, said that the characteristic feature of the last 10 years of official Labour policy had been a steady and progressive drift to the Right, accompanied and screened by increasingly heavy attacks upon the opposition of the Left. As a result they had reached in Parliament an effective Liberal-Labour alliance. Ideologically there was nothing that now separated the Labour Front Bench from the Front Bench of the Liberal Party. Before this Parliament went out he thought they would see a measure of electoral reform conceded to the Liberal Party, and he could not conceive any form acceptable to Liberals which would not, after the next election, precipitate a Parliamentary situation in which a frank Liberal-Labour Coalition became inevitable. In these circumstances the position of the I.L.P. group in the House of Commons became one of tremendous importance, because it meant that the group was the sole repository of the Socialist faith left inside the House. It was notorious that the present I.L.P. group did not function. There were nearly 200 I.L.P. members in the House, but not more than 30 at the outside reflected the point of view expressed by the I.L.P. at its annual conference. The resolution would give them a much smaller Parliamentary group, but a group five times as effective as they had at present.

The Birmingham Federation moved an amendment to delete from the resolution the words "and as interpreted by the N.A.C.," the reason given being that the authority of the conference was at issue.

Miss LEE, M.P., hoped the amendment would be rejected. The majority on the N.A.C. should decide what policy should be adopted in Parliament.

Mr. P. J. DOLLAN supported the resolution, but took exception to the speech made by Mr. Brown, who, he said, wanted freedom for those who thought with him and cast-iron discipline for those who did not accept his policy. It was said that conscience must decide action, but he would not like to be the conscience keeper of those concerned with some of the tactics followed in the House of Commons in the last nine months. What he wanted himself was a reconsideration of tactics to secure the largest possible support inside the Parliamentary Labour Party for the advancement of their I.L.P. programme.

Mr. J. BECKETT, M.P., objected to discipline by a caucus. If Snowden, MacDonald, and Thomas would sign a pledge to be bound by the decisions of any responsible body he, too, would willingly sign a pledge, but he was not prepared to support any Bill that the present Government, in consultation with Lloyd George, cared to bring in—a Bill that he had not seen and that no Labour conference or committee had considered. He hoped the resolution would be passed.

Mr. F. W. JOWETT, M.P., said that the troubles which had arisen had been produced by the living income policy, which from the time of its adoption had been a leading feature in the programme of the I.L.P. They were told they were asking for money when money was not there, but a pamphlet issued before the election offered evidence that the money was in the country. The electors were asked to wreak vengeance on a Tory Government because it had not done things which were not being done now by a Labour Government. The Tory Government was not allowed to put up the excuse that there was no money.

The Birmingham amendment was defeated, and the resolution was then opposed by Mr. CLIFFORD LEE, of Reading, who suggested that the conference should return to realism.

Mr. MAXTON expressed the attitude of the N.A.C., who had agreed, he said, to support the resolution, but recognized that a transition stage was absolutely necessary. The resolution could only have full effect after a Parliamentary election. There was no desire to exclude people from the I.L.P. group or Parliamentary membership because they disagreed with Maxton, Kirkwood, or Frank Wise, but it was intended to exclude from the group members who had never accepted the declared policy of the I.L.P. Conference and in their public and private activities had been definitely hostile to that policy.

The resolution was carried.

THE REBEL POLICY

After this preliminary skirmish the conference turned to the most interesting question of the agenda—that of deliberate approval of the recent attitude of the "rebel" group in the House of Commons. The main discussion took place on the report of the I.L.P. Parliamentary group, presented by Mr. CAMPBELL STEPHEN, but was conducted with an understanding that after the vote on the report an allied resolution should be taken without further debate. The resolution declared the support of the conference for the resolution of the N.A.C. endorsing the actions of the party chairman and those who supported him in the recent proceedings on the Unemployment Insurance Bill, and congratulated the members concerned on the stand they made.

Mr. DOLLAN moved that the report be referred back. He said it might be true that there was a majority in the conference for endorsement, but there were delegates present whose instructions had been given on a misunderstanding. His contention was that the group had been acting unconstitutionally, and that they had no mandate from the I.L.P. or the Labour Party for their tactics on the Unemployment Insurance Bill and other matters. It was made clear at the General Election, he added, that the promises held out to the electors could be carried out in their entirety only if there was a Labour majority in the House of Commons. Without that majority they had to do the best they could. The I.L.P. did not believe in dictatorship. The Labour Party had done splendid things, and if there were things it could have done and had not done, that applied also to the I.L.P. There were no 100 per cent. "I.L.P.-ers." Did the Clydeside group put birth-control and secular education and other topics in their election addresses, even though these things were part of I.L.P. policy? They were diplomatic rebels, and he admired them for their discretion. The pirate king often appeared as the gentle shepherd. They wanted some reasonableness in their criticism of the Labour Government. Some of the criticism raised at the conference was not true, and the delegates knew it was not true.

"IMPOSSIBLE POSITION"

Mr. GILZEAN (Edinburgh), who seconded the reference back, asked whether the conference was prepared to cut itself off from the Labour Party. (Some cries of "Yes.") That was a logical course which the conference could take and save its soul. But if it wanted to play the part of rebel and yet remain within the councils of the larger party, he said without hesitation that this was an impossible position.

Mr. BROCKWAY, M.P., denied that there had been any unconstitutional action. It had never been the view of the conference, he said, that a group representing not only their own financial members but any member of the I.L.P. returned under other auspices should determine the policy of the I.L.P. within the House of Commons. They had always maintained that the policy must be determined by the I.L.P. conference, and that between meetings the N.A.C. should be responsible for the interpretation of that policy.

Mr. T. W. STAMFORD, M.P., said that two big fundamental questions were involved, and one of them was that of the future relationship of the I.L.P. and the National Labour Party. He doubted whether a decision on that issue could be very much longer postponed. The continued pursuance of the policy with which a small group in the House had recently identified itself was gradually precipitating the issue and bringing the party face to face with all the consequences there involved. He desired that the utmost freedom should be accorded to members of the I.L.P., but when votes were cast against the Government, not on isolated issues, but as a deliberate and systematic policy, an entirely different question was raised. He had made up his own mind that the big ultimate issues of Socialism in which the I.L.P. was interested were at this time better served by the I.L.P. maintaining its affiliation with the Labour Party and loyally and honourably accepting the obligations of that affiliation.

DECLARATION BY THE COUNCIL

Mr. MAXTON intervened in the discussion to say that Mr. Stamford's speech had raised new issues and it would therefore be opportune for him to read a statement prepared by the National Administrative Council which defined the attitude of the I.L.P. in relation to the Labour Party. This was in the following terms:—

"The I.L.P. contributed largely to the formation of the Labour Party, is affiliated to the Labour Party, and has sought to serve the Labour movement and the cause of Socialism by every means in its power. The I.L.P. desires to continue to work wholeheartedly on these lines. But the I.L.P. has always been an independent Socialist organization, making its distinctive contribution to Labour Party policy, and having its distinctive function within the party. Whilst the I.L.P. has worked with loyalty to Labour Party principles, its liberty of action, when fundamental Socialist issues are involved, has not been questioned. Throughout the period of the War, and on many occasions before and since, I.L.P. members in Parliament, including several members of the present Government, have felt it necessary to vote according to their convictions, even though the majority of the party took another view. The suggestion is now made that all Labour members of Parliament and all Labour candidates should undertake never to vote against the Government. It is unreasonable to ask members of the party to accept without question all the proposals of the Government when those proposals are not themselves subject to the decisions of the Parliamentary Party, and in many instances do not comply with the programme authorized by the Labour Party Conference. Moreover, it should be recognized that the Labour Party is not a rigid political machine, but represents a vital movement of working class aspirations and ideas. Any attempt to insist upon absolute uniformity within the Labour Party would be disastrous to the growth of its thought and life.

"The National Council of the I.L.P. draws attention to the fact that, with the exception of the issue of armaments—upon which liberty of conscience has been permitted for many years—the votes of I.L.P. members of Parliament have been given in accordance with the programme of the Labour Party and with pledges given at the General Election. In its view members of Parliament were entirely justified in voting in favour of more adequate allowances for the unemployed, a minimum living wage for miners, and compensation for miners displaced in consequence of the operation of the Coal Mines Bill. The National Council of the I.L.P. hopes that the Labour Party Executive will not seek to enforce rigid discipline, preventing liberty of action on matters of deep conviction. The I.L.P. considers it desirable to make clear that it cannot accept new limitations of its rights and of the obligations of members of Parliament to their constituents and to Socialism."

Mr. CAMPBELL STEPHEN wound up the debate with an impassioned speech, in which he said it would be a deadly thing for the Labour Government to go on as it was doing and allow itself to drift into ordinary Labour-Liberalism.

The motion to refer back the report was rejected on a card vote by 356 votes to 53, and the resolution of support and congratulation for the rebel group was also carried by a large majority.

The conference held a private session this afternoon to discuss organization and defence. It was announced at the close that Mr. Maxton's election as chairman for another year was unopposed. The following were elected to the National Council:—Mr. Brockway, Mr. Wheatley, Mr. D. Kirkwood, Mr. J. W. Moor, Mr. P. J. Dollan, Mr. F. Tait, Mr. P. Williams, Mr. E. F. Wise, Mr. E. Skinner, Mr. D. Thomas, Mr. E. Sandham, Miss Jewson, and Miss Spurrell.

EDUCATION POLICY

SIR C. TREVELYAN'S OUTLINE

FUTURE OF VOLUNTARY SCHOOLS

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BOURNEMOUTH, APRIL 19

The Diamond Jubilee Conference of the National Union of Teachers was opened in the Pavilion, Bournemouth, this morning, and was attended by between 2,000 and 3,000 teachers from the schools of England and Wales. Mrs. Leah Manning, J.P., of Cambridge, succeeded Mr. C. W. Cowen, M.A., of Sheffield, in the presidential chair, and, following a public welcome by the Mayor of Bournemouth, delivered her inaugural address, which was devoted to the Government's proposal for the raising of the school-leaving age. She said it was imperative that the Bill should be upon the Statute-book this Session, and declared that "Government delay and vacillation are undermining the energy and resolution of the local education authorities in their great task of preparation for the raising of the age."

SIR CHARLES TREVELYAN, President of the Board of Education, who spoke after the president, referred to the tremendous period of transformation we were passing through in education from one end of England to the other. Five or 10 years hence, all over the country, they would be able to see an entirely new opportunity for all the older children. Higher education was going to be the commonplace of our villages as well as the commonplace of our towns. The rapidity of the coming of this change, the success and the value of it when it did come, were going to depend upon the teachers far more than any other part of the population. The teachers knew the importance of having the school age raised and the Bill passed quickly. Well, the President knew it too. They wanted the Bill as soon as possible; he wanted them to go on wanting and pressing.

THE SUPPLY OF TEACHERS

They had before them a great professional question where their attitude might help or injure—that was the supply of teachers. In the next two or three years many thousands of teachers would be wanted, and they were expressing their anxieties about it. In the first place they were afraid that this new great demand might result in the lowering of the standards of their profession. He wanted to say quite explicitly that he was going to set his face against that. (Cheers.) He wanted them to understand perfectly clearly that, whatever steps they took to meet the requirements, they were not going to ask for the development of the uncertificated and supplementary ranks. They were going in a direction where they could get people who were worthy of the profession into which they would come.

He appreciated also their anxiety lest there should be a surplus of teachers. Frankly, he did not have any fears. There was far more likely to be a dearth of teachers than a glut. What they had got to deal with was not only the problem of the raising of the school age, but the reorganizing of the whole of the education of the country. He wanted the number of children in a class cut down. He should be only too glad to have too many teachers in the next few years; then his task of saying to the local authorities "Bring down the number of children in your classes" would be far easier than it was at present. To-day there were still 10,000 classes of over 50.

"A PRICKLY QUESTION"

There was a prickly question which a Minister of Education did not lightly tackle—that was the position of the voluntary schools of this country. But it would be cowardice not to face it at the present time, and cowardice in a question affecting the interests of hundreds of thousands of children. In the reorganization of our education the voluntary schools ought to be able to play their part. If they did not, or could not, there would be large areas of England where there would be no effective senior schools for the children, and where children might have to stagnate for another generation under inferior conditions. That was not a prospect which he and the Government were content to contemplate. It was quite true that in many cases the Church authorities had shown the greatest good will in trying to cooperate with the local education authorities, but unless help was forthcoming towards the enlargement and reconditioning of many of the voluntary schools the penalty was going to fall on the children.

He asked his fellow-countrymen to see if they could not agree upon an arrangement for the sake of the children. He had had a long, very friendly, and very fruitful discussion with the leaders of the Church of England, the Catholics, and the Free Churches and local authorities, and not least with the very able executive of the National Union of Teachers. Everywhere he found the greatest willingness to find a solution with the practical wisdom and consideration which was so characteristic of Englishmen. What he had tried to do was to find a common denominator. (Laughter.)

Next week the Government would issue a White Paper setting out its view of an arrangement which it believed possible for all the chief interests to accept. In the resolutions to come before that Conference he saw nothing incompatible with what the Government was going to propose. It would be too much to hope at the present time to deal with the dual system as a whole. They proposed, therefore, to deal only with such voluntary schools as were wanted in the schemes of reorganization throughout the country.

VOLUNTARY SCHOOLS COMPROMISE

What they were going to suggest was that there should be agreement between the local education authorities and the managers of voluntary schools which were wanted for reorganization, and where agreements were come to grants should be given for enlargements and reconditioning.

The schools were to remain voluntary with the obligation still on the managers for current landlords' repairs, but in return for the gift of public money there was to be a large measure of public control. Under the present system the teachers were appointed by the managers for denominational purposes largely. There was power of intervention on educational grounds by the local education authority if they did not think the teachers were satisfactory. They proposed to reverse that process.

In other words it was the system which had been operated in Scotland for many years without serious friction or inconvenience in the case of their denominational schools.

Might he point out how this system would operate? The local education authority would send to Church or Catholic schools teachers whom they thought would suit, and he did not believe in ninety-nine cases out of one hundred there would be any difficulty between the local education authorities and the managers. They might tell him that there remained the denominational qualification for the teachers. That was so. It would remain for the next half-century unless something was done. But there was this great gain: Teachers would be all in one great service, and no longer answerable to parson, priest, or the local managers. Promotion, transfer, and change would all be in the hands of the local authority.

Of course, this proposal was a compromise. Did they suppose it was all he wanted? No; it was not all he wanted. It was not the full claim of the Church; of the Catholics; of those who wanted full public control; but they could not get anything unless they were more or less prepared to have an agreed compromise. Whatever its defects, and however much they might think it did not come up to their full demands, there was one set of people who were going to be gainers—the children. If the teachers were able there to indicate their general acceptance of these proposals, it would undoubtedly influence Parliament to come to an agreement, and it would, moreover, make far easier the passage of the Bill to raise the school age.

"We want to avoid any great outburst of religious controversy," he said. Educational progress was likely to be scorched up in the fires of religious rancour. He saw it a quarter of a century ago, and he did not want to see it again. He wanted his fellow-countrymen to see if they could not agree to allow education to remain as far as possible a non-partisan business. Here was neutral ground, and he believed it could be kept neutral. (Cheers.)

SCHOOL-LEAVING AGE

MRS. MANNING, in her presidential address, said the first duty of a Government and the surest evidence of good government was the encouragement of education. How then could they account for the difficulty which the present Government appeared to experience in implementing fully and with due celerity its very definite pledge to raise the school-leaving age? They said as a conference that it was imperative that the Bill should be upon the Statute-book this Session, and that the Government was in honour bound to find the time, or make the time by sitting on through August. What were the forces at work which had driven the Government to the conclusion that there would be so prolonged a debate in the House upon the measure that there was little hope of the Parliamentary time-table providing for it this Session?

There had been those of the Government's own supporters who had various objections to the form of the maintenance grants proposals. She begged of such, "If you are sincere friends of education do not jeopardize the Bill by a series of amendments on these clauses. To do so is but to kill the Bill with kindness." There had been the difficult situation created by the demand for a settlement of the religious controversy outside the House so that the good will of all parties might contribute to the acceptance of the Bill. She desired to pay a tribute to the Minister of Education for the infinite tact and patience with which he had sought to compose the sincere and conscientious difficulties of the parties to his projected settlement. They had to approach this problem in the spirit of conciliation. "We cannot expect to obtain a settlement which will give any one of us all we want, and, whilst deep-seated convictions will command the respect of all, deep-rooted prejudices must not be allowed to blind us to the justice of reasonable claims."

In a recent speech in the House of Lords Lord Salisbury indicated that their duty would remain to revise the "foreshadowed legislation," just as they had revised the present legislation. One sincerely hoped that his lordship would realize the unwisdom of pressing too far the archaic power of the Upper House against a measure designed to give further education to the children of the people.

GOVERNMENT VACILLATION

"The Prime Minister has said 'before the end of the year,' and he cannot understand why we are not satisfied with his promise. The reasons are not far to seek. Government delay and vacillation are undermining the energy and resolution of the local education authorities in their great task for the raising of the age. Some, at least, will not have the courage to embark upon schemes involving the expenditure of large sums of public money until the issue is placed beyond all doubt."

She had no doubt that if only the Government would proceed with the Bill this Session there would be a great renewal of the effort and enthusiasm which greeted its first reading. She quoted the words of Sir Percy Jackson: "I am not speaking on the side of procrastination. We will make emergency provisions, we will make temporary arrangements, and get the children off the streets." That was the spirit in which to tackle the job. The National Union of Teachers was firm for 1931. Already, in anticipation of the new demand, the training colleges were crowded with young people eagerly looking forward to their work in the schools in September, 1931. They had no guarantee that these young people would be absorbed into the profession unless the school-leaving age was raised in that year, and they could not stand as a professional organization to see the enthusiasm and idealism of their young colleagues broken upon the wheel of unemployment.

THE UNION'S IDEAL

It was the ultimate ideal of their union that local power over education of all types up to the university stage should proceed from a single source. Only in this way was it possible to provide, co-ordinate, and supervise education in its varied forms without overlapping on the one hand or lack of provision on the other. Such a unification of local control would make unnecessary the legislative distinction between elementary and higher education. The local authority would be responsible for education in the broad sense from the time the child entered school right up to adult life. The distinction between the compulsory and the voluntary stages would remain, but artificial definitions which attributed greater importance to any one stage than to another would quickly disappear. The necessary outlines of a new Education Bill were becoming ever more well defined.

Mr. Angus Roberts, of Annfield Plain, Durham, was elected vice-president for the year, with 32,598 votes, on the fourth count; Mr. H. J. Jackson, Nottingham, being "runner-up" with 28,718 votes. Mr. W. D. Bentliff, London, was re-elected treasurer without a contest.

The following were elected to the executive:—

North of England.—I. Haswell, T. Beaton, and Angus Roberts (vice-president).
Lancashire.—Miss E. R. Conway, Liverpool; W. Merrick, Salford; H. Humphrey, Bolton; R. Hall, Manchester; and Miss M. Gardner, Blackburn.
Yorkshire.—H. N. Penlington, Hemsworth; Miss A. A. Scorrer, Hull; and W. H. Robinson, Sheffield.
North Midlands.—A. E. Henshall, Stafford; H. J. Jackson, Nottingham; and T. H. Prescott, Lincoln.
South Midlands.—W. W. Hill, Hinckley; E. W. Jackson, Birmingham; and R. H. Morgan, Dudley.
East Anglia.—F. Mander, Luton; and Mrs. Manning, Cambridge (president).
South of England.—R. J. Patten, Southampton; G. H. Barker, Winchester; and E. W. Boorman.
West of England.—J. W. H. Brown, Street, Somerset; A. F. Chubb, Plymouth; and H. T. Morgan, Bristol.
Wales.—W. Lloyd Pierce, G. H. Davies, J. A. Callard, and D. Edwards.

NEW CONVALESCENT HOME

This afternoon Mr. Greenwood, Minister of Health, opened the Teachers' Provident Society's Convalescent Home, "The Anchorage," at Muddiford, near Christchurch. It has been purchased, furnished, and equipped at a cost of £10,000.

EDUCATIONAL IDEALS

CONFERENCE AT OXFORD

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

OXFORD, APRIL 20

The effect which new ideals have had on education during the past 30 years is to be discussed by the Conference of New Ideals in Education which opened at Somerville College, Oxford, to-day. Sir Michael Sadler, Master of University College, who was to have given the address of welcome to the members this evening was unable to do so owing to a slight indisposition. His place was taken by Mr. George Smith, Director of the Oxford Training College.

The organizers of the conference in a foreword to the programme for the benefit of the members state:—"Having begun as an informal association of friends of education sharing the same views and sympathies, the Conference Committee has now assumed the character of a permanent Council. It does not exist to voice the opinions of any particular pedagogical school, or to give exclusive assistance to any sectional propaganda. Its members work together upon the basis of a common conviction that a new spirit, full of hope for the world, is stirring in education, and the purpose of their activities is to aid that spirit wherever and in whatever form it is striving to express itself. An attempt to characterize a vital movement in a single sentence is apt to be misleading as well as ineffective, but it may be said that the essentials of the new spirit, as the Committee conceives it, are reverence for the pupil's individuality and a belief that true individuality—surest antidote to the poison of egoism—grows best in an atmosphere of freedom. The object of the conference is to draw together in fellowship all who are seeking to embody this spirit in their work, to offer them a platform for the discussion of difficulties and the communication of the results of experience or reflection, to bring isolated experimenters into touch with one another, and to give pioneering work the encouragement of recognition and criticism.

"The conferences on the Discipline of Freedom (Oxford, 1923); the Response of Character to Freedom (Oxford, 1925); the Place of Education in an Industrial Age (Oxford, 1926); and Pioneering in Education (Stratford-on-Avon, 1927) have brought home to all members the immense importance for educational advance of carefully planned and conducted experiments, also the debt which the world owes to those who dare to conceive and carry out pioneering work in education. Conditions of life are constantly changing. In the main, we trust that in spite of many an apparent retrogression these changes make for progress in the true and deep sense of the word. The task of education is not merely to maintain so far as possible a former level of life, conduct, and knowledge, but also and more especially to prepare for advance to higher levels. The educational practice of our schools reflects as a rule the ideals of a past age, and new ideals are realized only by the self-sacrificing work of pioneers. By the time that the new ideals have been worked into an organized and accepted system they have lost their freshness, have lost touch with the changing conditions of life, with the altering needs of the children themselves, and with the swinging pendulum of contemporaneous thought. It is to the pioneers in educational thought and practice that we must look for the new life-blood of education.

"Therefore, accounts of educational experiments have been a feature of each of the New Ideals conferences and continue to do so. But for 30 years now these new ideals have been before the world; for 30 years they have been more and more the subject of experiment and discussion. The time has come when progress can be measured and stock taken, and when upon a review of the ground already covered some estimate can be made of what region can next be invaded. This is a task undertaken by the 1930 conference—a review, a summary, and a forecast of the new ideals working in schools and touching the intellectual, artistic, and moral life of children."

Mr. GEORGE SMITH, in his address, expressed the hope that Sir Michael Sadler would soon be restored to health. When he heard comparisons of the old education and the new, he

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said he was often afraid that the speakers would spend themselves merely in criticism of the old. There was always, however, very important work to be done by those identified with what was new in education. One reason which made it necessary that there should be a number of people collaborating and consulting, and with eyes fixed on the future rather than the past, was that this was an age of transition. Circumstances were changing and the aim of education must change with them. The aim of education in fact was not static. One of the reasons why a conference of new ideals in education would always justify itself was the characteristics of the schoolmasters' work. There were two principles on which they were all agreed. They should try to vindicate to their pupils the claim to the development of their individuality, and they should try to vindicate the claim to have as much freedom as was consistent with that development during their education.

Three things in a schoolmaster's life made it very difficult for him to realize and carry out these principles. The first was that they taught in classes, the reason for which was not merely economic. The second reason was that as schoolmasters they were superior to their pupils, superior in experience, years, knowledge, and authority. They got into the habit of taking up that superior attitude to their pupils, or were tempted to do so, and therefore their relations with them were too much those of the governor and the governed. The third reason was the general tendency to form habits, and a schoolmaster's habit was generally dignified after two or three years with the name of method.

COOPERATIVE PARTY

POLITICS AND TRADING LOYALTY

Mr. ALFRED BARNES, M.P., chairman of the Cooperative Party, in his presidential address to the annual conference of the party at Buxton on Saturday, called for greater support from the cooperative movement. Out of 427 cooperative societies affiliated to the party he said, only 10 had accepted the responsibility or created machinery to run cooperative candidates for Parliament. Increased political power was necessary to combat the "silent strangulation" of cooperative societies' trade in commodities which they did not themselves produce and the growing restriction of supplies on the part of private trade combines. A solid combination of Conservative and Liberal M.P.s on a House of Commons Committee had destroyed the Industrial and Provident Societies Bill, which was promoted to remove certain disabilities from cooperative societies and to restrict the use of the term "cooperative" in trading associations. They had killed the Bill by an amendment to prohibit cooperative societies from engaging in political action. Their reply must be to put more cooperative M.P.s in the House of Commons.

Mrs. HEWITSON, president of the Women's Guild, said that every political party had a woman among its M.P.s now, and they felt that their party would not be complete until they had a woman member.

At yesterday's session ALDERMAN F. HAYWARD, chairman of the Central Board of the Cooperative Union, said that the facts concerning the price-dictating associations and the refusal of supplies to cooperative societies and other unfair restraints on mutual trade constituted an unanswerable case for political action.

Mr. A. V. ALEXANDER said that any Government dealing with restraint of trade had to face legal implications. Involved legal decisions given in the Courts had been of no avail because trade union legislation did not make it illegal for workers' organizations to withhold their labour. The first step to redress this position was to have a complete majority in the House of Commons. There would be no opportunity of fighting it to a lasting conclusion till it was possible to deal with it without destroying the liberty of trade unions to combine. If they took action he wanted it to be fully comprehensive action that could not be upset afterwards in the Courts.

The national committee submitted a resolution placing on record the view that the rationalization of industry resulted in the control of an increasing number of vital commodities by fewer concerns, and pledged the Cooperative Party to use its full resources to increase the trading loyalty of cooperators towards cooperative productions, and to organize the political power of the cooperative movement to obtain legislation to make illegal the restrictive methods adopted by the Proprietary Articles Trade Association and similar trading organizations. Mr. J. T. DAVIES, a Cooperative Wholesale Society director, in moving the resolution, declared rationalization was one of the greatest menaces the cooperative movement ever had to face.

The conference carried the resolution unanimously.

YOUNG LIBERALS

DISSATISFACTION WITH THE GOVERNMENT

Young Liberals were vigorous in their denunciation of the Labour Government at the twenty-first annual conference of the National League of Young Liberals, which opened at Chester on Saturday.

Mr. F. KINGSLEY GRIFFITH, M.P., who was re-elected president, said that if the Liberal proposals for dealing with unemployment had been adopted for giving work for wages instead of payment for idleness, the problem about "genuinely seeking work" clauses would not exist.

Mr. DIBB (Newcastle-on-Tyne) submitted a resolution, which was carried, declaring that they were tired of the conservatism of the Labour Government. Except for a slight difference in accent, he said, they might all have been members of the last Conservative Administration. The only reason why there had not been a split among Labour members was because many of them were not captains of their own souls, but the salaried nominees of the trade union organizations.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS AND RATIONALIZATION

The conference of the National Union of Commercial Travellers, which met at Birmingham on Saturday, adopted a resolution asking that in the rationalization of industry, or the amalgamation of firms, it should be a compulsory condition that compensation for loss of office or reduction in remuneration should be given to all employees or agents, and that such compensation should be on the basis now operating in the Civil Service and under various Acts of Parliament.

Mr. C. F. DEADMAN, London, in his presidential address, referred to the interim report of the Government Committee on Education for Salesmanship, in which it was suggested that the low remuneration of oversea representatives of many British firms was a contributory cause of loss of trade. He said that had the executive been invited to give evidence before that Committee they could have proved conclusively that bad as were the conditions oversea they were infinitely worse in the home country.

EDINBURGH TO LONDON COACH ACCIDENT

WOMAN PASSENGER'S DEATH

An inquest was held at Fairburn, Yorkshire, on Saturday on the body of Mrs. M. SHAPLEY, 62, the widow of a garage proprietor of Longton Green, Kent, who was killed through the Edinburgh to London coach running into a tree by the side of the Great North Road.

John Russel, of South Lorne-place, Leith, said that he had driven the coach from Edinburgh to Darlington when his relief took over control. He was sitting near the rear door with his back to the driver when, approaching Fairburn, he felt the brakes being slightly applied. He felt the vehicle shiver, then it dived off the road to the offside, and he remembered no more until he found himself on the grass. Mrs. Shapley was then lying on her face by a tree, which had been uprooted by the coach.

Roy Pennington, of Garden Village, Micklefield, who was standing on the side of the road near to the bend on which the accident occurred, said the road was very greasy and the speed of the coach was quite usual.

William Robert Shand, of Elm-road, Edinburgh, the driver of the coach, said he had been a motor driver for 16 years. He was in the act of slowing down to pass the bend when the vehicle developed a skid. The brakes failed to take effect and the coach went right across the road and mounted the grass verge. The brakes then began to take effect and the front of the coach passed the tree but the middle skidded into the tree. He was travelling about 24 miles an hour, and he applied his brakes because another car was approaching.

Cross-examined, he said that taking into account all stops and slowings down the coach would have to keep up an average speed of 30 miles an hour. The application of the brake was the whole cause of the accident.

A verdict of "Accidental death" was returned.

THE WEATHER

UNSETTLED AND COLD

Meteorological Office, April 20

GENERAL INFERENCE FROM OBSERVATIONS AT 7 P.M.—Further disturbances are likely to move down the North Sea to maintain cold unsettled weather generally over the British Isles, with some rain or showers in most districts, but with brighter intervals.

Forecasts for To-day

LONDON, ENGLAND, S.E., E., MIDLANDS, E.—Fresh to strong northerly winds; bright intervals, some rain and showers; cold.

ENGLAND, S.W., N.W., MIDLANDS, W., N. WALES, IRELAND.—Fresh northerly winds, strong at times; bright intervals, showers; cold.

ENGLAND, N.E., SCOTLAND, ISLE OF MAN, ORKNEYS AND SHETLANDS.—Fresh or strong northerly winds, reaching gale force locally in exposed places; some rain and showers with hail or sleet perhaps locally; brighter intervals; cold.

FURTHER OUTLOOK.—Unsettled.

SEA PASSAGES

ENGLISH CHANNEL.—Fresh to strong winds from a northerly point, stronger at times locally; some rain and showers; brighter intervals; sea rough.

IRISH SEA.—Fresh or strong northerly winds; some rain and showers; brighter intervals; sea rough.

FLYING PROSPECTS

AIR ROUTES (London-Paris-Brussels-Cologne-Amsterdam).—Northerly winds, 15 to 25 m.p.h. at surface, 30 to 40 m.p.h. at 2,000ft. Cloudy, with rain or drizzle at times. Visibility, 2-4 miles.

Sun rises, 5.55 a.m.; sets, 8.3 p.m.
Moon rises, 3.55 a.m.; sets, 11.28 a.m.
New Moon, April 28.
Lighting-up time, 9.3 p.m.
High water at London Bridge, 8.10 a.m. and 8.23 p.m.

LONDON OBSERVATIONS

KENSINGTON PALACE, APRIL 19, 7 P.M.—Bar., 1,000.7mb. (29.55in.), rising slowly; temp., 41.2deg.; humidity, 89 per cent.; wind, E., light; weather, cloudy.

Friday, 7 p.m., to Saturday, 10 a.m.—Min. temp., 37deg.; rainfall, 0.9mm.

Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.—Max. temp., 46deg.; rainfall, 4.4mm. (0.17in.).

Sunshine at Kew, 1.2hr.

APRIL 20, 7 P.M.—Bar., 1,009.8mb. (29.82in.), rising slowly; temp., 42deg.; humidity, 87 per cent.; wind, E., light; weather, overcast, rain.

Saturday, 7 p.m., to Sunday, 10 a.m.—Min. temp., 37deg.; rainfall, 0.4mm.

Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.—Max. temp., 47deg.; rainfall, 1.1mm. (0.04in.).

Sunshine at Kew, 0.1hr.

SUNLIGHT

The sunlight (ultra-violet rays) figures for the 24 hours ended 5 p.m. yesterday, supplied by the National Institute for Medical Research, were:—

Hampstead, ½; Kingsway, 0; Clacton, 1; Lowestoft, 2; Southport, 2; Torquay, 4; Ventnor, 6.

Saturday's figures were:—Hampstead, 1; Kingsway, 0; Clacton, 5; St. Andrews, 1½; Southport, 3; Torquay, 7½; Ventnor, 2.

HEALTH RESORTS

The following reports of weather at health resorts yesterday were received last night. The rainfall is for 24 hours up to last evening:—

Stations	Sunshine	Rainfall	Temp. Min.	Temp. Max.	Weather (Day)
	Hrs.	Mm.	Deg.	Deg.	
Aberystwyth	4·5	—	40	49	Bright periods.
Bath ..	4·0	2	37	49	Bright periods.
Berwick-'n-T	0·4	0·2	38	45	Dull, shower.
Bexhill ..	7·7	1	38	52	Rain, then fine.
Blackpool ..	3·7	—	40	49	Bright periods.
Bournem'th	4·0	3	37	53	Bright periods.
Bridlington	2·7	2	40	48	Cloudy, shower.
Brighton ..	6·3	9	38	52	Bright periods.
Bude ..	8·5	1	39	51	Fine, rain later.
Buxton ..	—	4	34	41	Dull.
Cheltenham	1·9	3	38	47	Cloudy, showery.
Clacton ..	0·3	5	41	45	Dull, some rain.
Cleethorpes	1·4	—	41	46	Cloudy.
Colwyn Bay	0·6	—	40	47	Dull.
Deal ..	3·7	2	35	52	Cloudy, some rain.
Douglas ..	6·4	—	39	48	Bright intervals.
Dover ..	5·1	1	37	53	Bright periods.
Dovercourt	—	6	31	45	Dull, some rain.
Eastbourne	7·9	0·3	40	50	Fine.
Falmouth ..	6·9	4	38	47	Bright periods.
Felixstowe	—	6	40	43	Dull, some rain.
Folkestone	5·0	1	38	51	Bright periods.
Guernsey ..	11·5	2	40	51	Fine.
Harrogate	1·4	4	37	44	Cloudy, rain early.
Hastings ..	7·9	0·3	39	50	Fine.
Ilfracombe	6·3	—	42	49	Bright periods.
Ilkley ..	0·5	8	36	44	Dull.
Jersey ..	9·7	5	39	51	Fine.
Lerwick ..	3·6	1	40	47	Cloudy, drizzle.
Littleh'ton..	6·3	3	37	50	Bright periods.
Llandudno..	1·2	—	41	48	Cloudy.
Lowestoft ..	1·2	2	39	44	Cloudy.
Mablethorpe	3·3	1	41	45	Cloudy, shower.
Maldon ..	1·1	6	39	44	Cloudy, some rain.
Margate ..	3·9	3	39	49	Bright intervals.
Morecambe	3·8	—	43	50	Bright intervals.
Newquay ..	8·8	0·2	39	50	Fine.
Penzance ..	6·4	5	40	51	Bright periods.
Plymouth ..	5·3	6	37	50	Bright periods.
Ramsgate ..	3·9	3	39	50	Bright intervals.
Rhyl ..	1·9	—	40	50	Cloudy.
Ross-on-Wye	1·2	0·5	39	47	Cloudy.
St. Ives ..	8·1	1	39	49	Fine.
Sandown ..	5·9	3	39	50	Bright periods.
Scarborough	4·5	2	39	50	Bright periods.
Scilly I. ..	7·5	2	41	49	Fine, shower.
Sidmouth ..	5·3	4	39	51	Bright periods.
Skegness ..	4·6	1	40	46	Bright periods.
Southend ..	1·9	3	39	47	Cloudy, some rain.
Southport ..	3·3	0·3	39	49	Bright intervals.
Southsea ..	5·1	6	38	51	Bright periods.
Torquay ..	5·8	12	39	49	Rain, then fairer.
TunbridgeW	3·6	4	33	47	Cloudy, showery.
Ventnor ..	7·5	2	39	51	Bright periods.
Wallasey ..	3·0	—	39	49	Bright intervals.
Walton-on-N	0·2	4	42	45	Dull, some rain.
Weston-s.-M.	5·0	3	40	51	Fine, rain later.
Weymouth	6·2	3	37	50	Bright periods.
Worthing ..	6·0	7	37	50	Bright periods.
Yarmouth ..	1·0	0·3	41	45	Cloudy.

PARIS.—Fairly bright; cold.
BERLIN.—Cloudy, bright intervals.
CANNES.—Sunny; westerly wind.
GENEVA.—Cloudy and cold.

MISSING BANK NOTES

SUSPECTED THEFT FROM MAIL BAG

Manchester police, with the Post Office Investigation Department and the L.M.S. police, are making inquiries into the disappearance of a parcel containing Bank of England notes to the value of about £2,750 while in transit from Manchester to Leek, Staffordshire.

The parcel was handed in at the head post office at Manchester by an official of the District Bank, and was put with other parcels in a bag placed on a train which left London-road station, Manchester, late on Tuesday night. The train, after stopping at Stockport and Macclesfield, went on to Stoke, where the bag, which was fastened with a lead seal, was put in a van for Leek. On arrival there it was discovered that the official sheet indicating the contents of the bag was missing. Further inquiries revealed that the packet containing the money had also disappeared. The authorities are inclined to believe that the packet was in order when it left Manchester and that the bag in which it was contained was interfered with while in transit by road to Leek.

Dr. Alfred Packenham Berkley, who has been Bishop of the WINDWARD ISLANDS for the past 10 years, will relinquish work in that diocese next September. The Bishop has laboured in the Windward Islands Diocese for 30 years.

Court Circular

WINDSOR CASTLE, April 19

Lieut.-General Sir Kenneth Wigram, Sir Walford and Lady Davies, and the Revd. Canon Alexander Nairne, D.D., had the honour of dining with The King and Queen this evening.

April 20

The King and Queen, and the Members of the Royal Family, with the Ladies and Gentlemen in attendance, were present at Divine Service in the Private Chapel this morning.

The Dean of Windsor officiated and preached the Sermon.

Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught and the Earl of Macduff visited Their Majesties and remained to Luncheon.

The Princess Victoria and the Lady Maud Carnegie visited The King and Queen this afternoon.

Princess Elizabeth of York celebrates the fourth anniversary of her birthday to-day.

Princess Marie Louise left London on Saturday to spend Easter with Mrs. Hugh Adams. To-morrow she will go to Wakefield, and will return to London on April 28.

The Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe will return to 2, Carlton House-terrace at the end of the month from Floors Castle.

The Marquess of Cambridge left 72, Eccleston-square on Saturday for Badminton House, Gloucestershire, where the Marchioness of Cambridge will join him shortly.

The Marquess and Marchioness of Exeter have left England for some weeks. No letters will be forwarded.

The Earl of Yarborough has returned to Brocklesby Park, Lincolnshire. Although he has recovered from his recent illness, he has been obliged to cancel all public engagements for the present.

The Earl and Countess of Abingdon left 3, Seymour-street on Saturday for Highcliffe Castle, Christchurch.

Lord Hyde will return to London at the end of next month from India.

Lady Armaghdale, who has been spending the past few weeks in the South of France, is expected at 13, Princes-gardens at the end of this week.

Lord Howard of Glossop returned to 42, Pont-street yesterday from Carlton Towers, Yorkshire. Lady Beaumont, who has been spending Easter in London, will leave for Yorkshire at the end of the week.

Lord and Lady Invernairn left 21, Upper Grosvenor-street yesterday for Norfolk.

The Hon. Mrs. Douglas Vickers will return to London to-morrow from Harrogate.

Sir Lionel and Lady Earle will arrive in London about May 1, on their return from the United States.

Air Vice-Marshal Sir Philip Game and Lady Game will leave London on Wednesday for Marseilles, where they will embark in the Moldavia for Australia.

Captain and Lady Moyra FitzGerald have returned to Walton Manor, Bucks, from South Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Forbes, with Miss Griselda and Miss Angela Forbes, have arrived at 60, Cadogan-place, which they have taken for the season. (Telephone, Sloane 8432.)

Mrs. Hornby Lewis left Cannes on April 19, and expects to be in London by May 3 until May 15, when she goes to Danesfield, where she will be at home on May 31 for her music and garden party.

The Prince of Wales has given his patronage to the annual Ascot ball, which will be held at the Wentworth Club, Virginia Water, on Wednesday, June 18. The ball is in aid of the King Edward VII. Hospital, Windsor.

The Prince of Wales has consented to be present at the Empire Ball, which will take place at the Albert Hall on May 26, in aid of the funds of the British Legion. During the evening a pageant of "Britain and her Industries," arranged by Mrs. A. G. McCorquodale, will take place. Among the industries to be represented are shipping, coal, cotton, cutlery, machinery, iron and steel, paper, silk, and wool.

Princess Beatrice, accompanied by Miss Cochrane, paid a visit to St. George's School, San Remo, on April 10. This is the second year in succession that she has visited the school. She was received by Miss Peto, and conducted to the school hall, where she presented the Cambridge certificates which had been won by members of the school during the year, and the British-Italian League prize. A programme was presented to Princess Beatrice by Princess Olga Maksutova, the head girl, and bouquets by three of the youngest pupils.

Marchioness Curzon of Kedleston will lend her house, 1, Carlton House-terrace, on Wednesday, April 30, for an at home in connexion with Lady Wyndham's *matinée* performance for the Actors' Benevolent Fund, which the Queen has consented to attend at the New Theatre on May 5.

Lady Newnes is president of a concert to be held at 25, Park-lane (lent by Sir Philip Sassoon) on May 1, in aid of the Pettit Farm Social Centre. Mr. Paul Robeson will sing during the afternoon.

The West Herts County and London Orphan School ball, in aid of the London Orphan School, will take place at the Mansion House (by permission of the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress) on April 25. Particulars may be obtained from Mrs. Begg, Beechfield, Langley-road, Watford.

CHRISTENING

The christening of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lane took place yesterday afternoon in the private chapel at Lytchett Heath, the residence of Sir Evelyn and the Hon. Lady Cecil. The Rev. S. H. W. Lovett officiated, and the child was named Jocelyn Henry Cecil. The godparents were the Marquess of Salisbury, Lieutenant-Commander Noël Findlay, Lady Guendolen Cecil, and Miss Margaret Leicester Warren.

FUNERAL

LADY GLANELY

The funeral of Lady Glanely will take place to-morrow, leaving Tregarth, Creigiau, Glamorgan, at 10.30 a.m. for Croesfaen Church. The interment will take place at Cardiff Cemetery at noon. A memorial service will be held at Exning Church on the same day at noon.

SIR WEST RIDGEWAY

The King and Queen sent the following message of condolence to Mrs. Edward Tollemache on the death of her father, Sir West Ridgeway:—"The King and Queen truly sympathize with you in the loss which you have sustained by the death of your father. Sir West Ridgeway's services in so many parts of the Empire will be ever gratefully remembered. Their Majesties have happy recollections of his kindness to them in Ceylon when he was Governor 29 years ago."

The funeral of Sir West Ridgeway took place at Easthampstead Church, Bracknell, at 12.15 on Saturday. Only near relations and intimate friends were present, as requested by him. The Rev. Gerald Ridgeway (nephew) officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. Stubbs. The chief mourners were Colonel and Mrs. Edward Tollemache (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. John Tollemache (grandson), Mr. A. Bailey (brother-in-law), Mrs. R. Burrows (niece), and Lord Cromwell (nephew).

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGES

MR. H. L. HODGKINSON AND MISS KNOX

The engagement is announced between Hubert Lloyd, only son of the Rev. and Mrs. W. Hodgkinson, of Patpara, India, and Mary Stuart (Molly), eldest daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Hamish and the late Mrs. Knox, of Grimspound, Newton Abbot.

MR. A. J. MCNAIR AND MISS G. M. BUIST

The engagement is announced of Arthur James McNair, F.R.C.S., of the Warden's House, Guy's Hospital, son of the late Mr. John McNair and Mrs. John McNair, to Grace Mary, daughter of the late Major R. N. Buist and Mrs. R. N. Buist, of St. John's, Tunbridge Wells.

MR. A. L. KEET AND MISS PALMER

The engagement is announced between Alan Livingstone Keet, M.Eng., A.M.I.E.E., younger son of Charles Havelock Keet, of Calderstones, Liverpool, and Kathleen Annie, only child of Mrs. W. L. Green and the late T. C. Palmer, of Dallington, Northampton.

MR. R. S. T. HIRST AND MISS K. DOUGLAS

The engagement is announced between Robert Sydney Thomson Hirst, younger son of the late Mr. F. W. Hirst and Mrs. Hirst, of 13, Imperial-road, Huddersfield, and Kathleen, youngest daughter of the Rev. J. C. and Mrs. Douglas, of The Vicarage, Stillington, Stockton-on-Tees.

MR. F. G. H. STOREY AND MISS J. M. PIKE

The marriage between Frederick George Hutton Storey and Joyce Maud Pike will take place at Stoke Poges Church on Tuesday, April 29.

MR. A. D. DOXFORD AND MISS J. CLARKE

The engagement is announced between Arthur Denis Doxford, elder son of the late Arthur Doxford, of Sunderland, and Mrs. Doxford, The Grange, Carlton Miniott, Thirsk, and Joan, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Clarke, of Bury St. Edmunds.

MR. A. M. PALMER AND MISS M. C. S. KNOWLES

The engagement is announced of Mr. Alan Maxwell Palmer, son of the late Rev. Francis Palmer and Mrs. Palmer, of Philadelphia, and Mary Clements Stocker Knowles, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Archibald Campbell Knowles, of Philadelphia. No date has been arranged for the marriage.

DANCES

THE SEASON'S LIST

The following is a list of private dances which will be given during the coming season. The list will be revised and repeated every Monday:—

APRIL 28.—Mrs. Stephen Pollen and Mrs. Percy Illingworth, 1, Hyde Park-gardens.

APRIL 29.—Mrs. Henry Haslam (small dance), for her daughter, 30, Eaton-square.

APRIL 30.—Mrs. Francis Alston (small dance), for her daughter, Miss Renée Alston, 1, Hyde Park-gardens.

MAY 1.—Mrs. George Hay Whigham, for her daughter, Miss Margaret Whigham.

MAY 5.—Mrs. Grant Forbes, 23, Belgrave-square.

MAY 6.—The Marchioness of Lansdowne, for her daughter, Lady Katherine Fitzmaurice.

MAY 7.—The Hon. Mrs. Henry McLaren, for her daughter, 38, South-street, W.

MAY 8.—The Countess of Hardwicke, for her daughter, Lady Elizabeth Yorke, and her niece, Miss Sheila Hudson.

MAY 9.—Lady Howard de Walden, for her daughter, the Hon. Bronwen Scott-Ellis.

MAY 12.—Lady Jessel and Mrs. Harvey Kearsley, for their daughters, Miss Vanda Swetenham and Miss Ursula Kearsley.

MAY 13.—Lady Madden and Lady (Herbert) Cayzer, for their daughters, Miss Joan Madden and Miss Pamela Cayzer, Mall House.

MAY 14.—Lady Helen Cassel, for her daughter, Miss Hermione Cassel, Brook House, Park-lane.

MAY 15.—Mrs. Robert Mathias, for her daughters, Miss Diana and Miss Betty Mathias, 41, Berkeley-square.

Mrs. Lee Ewart, for her daughter, Miss Geraldine Ewart, Ritz Hotel.

MAY 16.—Mrs. T. H. Barnard, for her daughter, Miss Gwendolen Barnard.

MAY 19.—Mrs. Hulbert, for her daughter, Miss Patricia Lambert, 19, Hyde Park-gate.

MAY 20.—The Hon. Mrs. Guy Feilden (small dance), for her daughter, Miss Priscilla Feilden.

Lady Aird, for her granddaughter, Miss Gundred Cunliffe.

MAY 22.—Mrs. Alastair Sandeman, for her daughter, Miss Muriel Sandeman, 28, Princes-gardens.

MAY 23.—Mrs. William Johnson, for her daughter, Miss Lorraine Johnson, May Fair Hotel.

MAY 26.—Lady Pigott-Brown, for her daughter, Miss Pigott-Brown.

The Hon. Mrs. Ferguson, for her daughter, Miss Jane Ferguson, 92, Eaton-square.

MAY 28.—Lady Dawson of Penn, for her daughter, the Hon. Rosemary Dawson.

MAY 29.—Princess Ottoboni, for her niece, Miss Elizabeth Humphreys-Owen.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. B. Du Pre (small dance), for his daughter, Miss Joy Du Pre, 4, Princes-gardens.

MAY 30.—The Hon. Mrs. Richard Preston, for her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Preston.

The Marchioness of Downshire (small dance), for her nieces, Miss Joan and Miss Eve Foster, 43, Charles-street, Berkeley-square.

JUNE 2.—The Countess of Granard, for her daughter, Lady Eileen Forbes.

JUNE 3.—The Hon. Mrs. Wilfrid Abel Smith and Mrs. Alasdair MacGregor of Cardney, for their daughters, Miss Sylvia Abel Smith and Miss Gelda MacGregor.

JUNE 5.—Lady Margaret Nicholson, for her daughter, Miss Joan Nicholson.

The Hon. Mrs. Home Drummond Moray and Mrs. Hugh Gurney for their daughters, Miss Anne and Miss Grace Drummond Moray and Miss Priscilla Gurney.

JUNE 11.—Mrs. St. George for her daughter, Miss Vivien St. George.

JUNE 12.—Mrs. Brian Molloy for her daughter, Miss Molly Molloy.

JUNE 16.—Mrs. John Walter, for her son's coming-of-age, Claridge's.

The Royal Caledonian ball, Grosvenor House.

JUNE 19.—Baroness Quarles van Ufford, for her daughter, Miss Morrison-Scott, 44, Belgrave-square.

JUNE 23.—Christ Church Commemoration ball.

Magdalen College Commemoration ball.

The Hon. Lady Anstruther-Gough-Calthorpe.

JUNE 25.—Mrs. Christopher Hoare, 40, Great Cumberland-place.

JUNE 27.—Lady Howard Stepney, for her daughter, Miss Marged Howard Stepney.

JUNE 30.—Mrs. Alfred Pitman, for her daughter, Miss Sybil Pitman.

Lady Keyes and Mrs. Dorrien Smith, for Miss Diana and Miss Katherine Keyes and Miss Anne Dorrien Smith.

JULY 4.—Mrs. Patrick Villiers-Stuart (small dance), for her niece, Miss Katherine Taylor, and her daughter, Miss Patricia Villiers-Stuart.

JULY 11.—Eton and Harrow ball, Hurlingham Club.

THE RIVIERA

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS)

MONTE CARLO, April 17

Among recent arrivals at the Hôtel Métropole are Lord Wolverton, the Hon. Marion Glyn, Lord Faringdon, Sir Alexander and Lady Mackenzie, and Colonel and Mrs. T. C. R. Moore. Sir Charles Mappin, General Sir John and Lady Du Cane, Sir Herbert and Lady Barker, Miss Florence Du Cane, Major Bertram Hardy, and Major H. K. Maitland are staying at the Hôtel de Paris.

CAP-MARTIN, April 17

President Masaryk, previous to his departure for Prague, entertained at luncheon Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain and Miss Chamberlain, who are at present staying at Cap-Martin as the guests of Mr. Kahn.

The Earl of Kilmorey and Lieutenant-Colonel and Lady Rosemary Portal have arrived at the Grand Hotel.

MENTON

Marshal Joffre, accompanied by Mme. Joffre, is spending Easter at the Hôtel Imperial.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

DOCTORS' ESTATES

SIR WILLIAM MILLIGAN, M.D., LL.D., of Westbourne, Rusholme, Manchester, who died on December 19, aged 65, left unsettled property in Great Britain of the gross value of £293,470, with net personalty £273,056. He left:—

His medical library to the University of Aberdeen and legacies to certain of his servants.

MR. GEORGE WHITE DRABBLE, M.A., M.B., of The Grange, Walton-on-Thames, retired medical practitioner, who died on January 31, aged 65, left unsettled property in his own disposition of the gross value of £475,005, with net personalty £466,923. The duties on the property and according to the dispositions of the will will amount to over £130,000.

SIR FREDERICK REEVE CURRIE, third baronet, of Campion-terrace, Holly Walk, Leamington, who died on February 27, aged 78, intestate and a bachelor, left estate in his own disposition valued for probate at £558 gross, with net personalty £460.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL ROBERT DAWSON, C.B., late The Queen's Royal Regiment, of Littleton, near Guildford, who died on February 18, aged 68, left estate of the gross value of £3,750, with net personalty £3,511.

The HON. EDWARD GERALD STRUTT, of Whitelands, Hatfield Peverel, Essex, and of Down House Farm, Bridport, Dorset, for many years a leading agriculturist, Principal Agricultural Adviser to the Food Production Department, 1917-19, in business also as a surveyor, of Messrs. Strutt and Parker, of Russell-square, W.C., lately a director of the Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited, and Home Grown Sugar, Limited, who died on March 8, aged 75, son of the second Baron Rayleigh, left unsettled property of the gross value of £170,636, with net personalty £165,855. He left:—

£250 each to Harry Montagu Everard, Frank C. Phillips, and Henry Istid, "as some slight recognition of the good work they have respectively done for many years past for me and my firm of Messrs. Strutt and Parker, surveyors;" £50 to each of the clerks at the office of his firm at 49, Russell-square, W.C., at his decease, if of seven years' service.

MAJOR CHARLES VINCENT FOX, D.S.O., Scots Guards, retired, of Brookfield, Milltown, Dublin, who saw service in the Great War, winner of the Wingfield and the Diamond Sculls at Henley, and who died on November 8, son of Captain H. C. Fox, King's Dragoon Guards, of Glen-a-Gearagh Hall, Dublin, left unsettled personal property in England and the Irish Free State valued at £7,149.

DAME ANNIE MATILDA HUNTER, of Highlands, Ootacamund, Nilgiris, India, formerly of St. John's Wood-park, N.W., who died on November 5, widow of Sir Bernard Hunter, formerly managing governor of the Imperial Bank of India, left property in this country of the gross value of £1,426, with net personalty £1,415.

MR. GEORGE BRIDCUT, of Yew Tree House, Ombersley, Worcs, of Eton-road, N.W., and Mortimer-street, W., who died on March 4, aged 66, left estate of the value of £31,335, with net personalty £27,674. He gives:—

£500 to the local authority having jurisdiction over Primrose Hill, "where I have been accustomed to walk so often for very many years," on condition that a clock is erected on some suitable place.

1,000 guineas to Middlesex Hospital; 1,000 guineas to the Worcester Infirmary; £100 to the London Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Association; £50 each to the vicar and churchwardens of Ombersley and the vicar and churchwardens of Doverdale, for the poor inhabitants.

1,000 shares in Bridcut, Limited, each to Walter Martin Mason and Arthur Dyson; 750 shares to Miss M. Britten; 500 shares to H. J. Clark; and £250 to F. Buyver, if respectively in the employ of the company at the time of his death.

The ultimate residue of the property between the London Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Association, the Commercial Travellers' Schools, and the Royal National Life-Boat Institution.

MR. JAMES RALPH WILLIAMS, of St. Petroc, Park-road, Whitchurch, Glamorgan, a former director of Watts, Watts and Co., Limited, of Cardiff and London, shipowners, who died on December 21, aged 51, son of the late Colonel James Williams, of Bryn Glas, Newport, left estate of the gross value of £41,440, with net personalty £33,923. He left:—

£500 to his gardener—Selwood, if in his employ at his death.

One-tenth of his net estate (after payment of all death duties) to pay to each of the charities "to which I shall in the 12 calendar months previous to my death have subscribed any sum by way of subscription and not of donation, a legacy equal in amount to five times such subscription," and the balance equally to Treloar's Homes for Crippled Children, the Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, the Royal Infirmary, Cardiff, the National Institute for the Blind (as to one half to the Cardiff branch and one half to the Newport branch), and the Railway Benevolent Association.

MR. JOHN HERBERT HARMAN, of The Waverley, Clacton-on-Sea, who died on October 30, aged 79, left estate of the gross value of £11,092, with net personalty £10,314. He gives:—

£1,100 to Annie Thurlow, his assistant, for life, and then for Mildred Harman.

Other latest wills include the following:—

	Gross value
BILLING, Miss Sarah Elizabeth (82), of Guildford, and of Calcutta, India, daughter of the late J. Billing (property in this country) (net personalty £4,280)	£5,524
COOMBE, Mr. George Fenwick, of Avenue-terrace, Southend-on-Sea, London representative and a director of Firth and Marshall, Limited, Bradford (net personalty £2,860)	2,976
CROWTHER, Mr. Henry (62), of Hatfield House, Healey, Batley, Yorks, and of Henry Crowther and Co., Limited, rag merchants (net personalty £58,708)	73,056
CURTIS, Mrs. Eleanor Evatt Eliza, of St. Mark's-place, St. George's, Staten Island, U.S.A., widow of Colonel J. G. C. Curtis, formerly of Walmer, Kent (estate in England)	1,317
CUSACK, Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Oriel, R.A.M.C. (75), of Worsley-road, Hampstead, N.W. (net personalty £7,793)	9,289
DAVISON, Mr. Richard, of Beechfield, Ballymena, Co. Antrim, father of Sir William Henry Davison, K.B.E., M.P. (personal estate in Great Britain and Northern Ireland)	4,145
FLACHFELD, Mr. Henry (78), of Keswich-gardens, Wembley, formerly a member of the London Stock Exchange (net personalty £3,053)	6,122
GIBSON, Miss Jessie Winter, formerly of Chalmers-street, Edinburgh, daughter of the late Rev. H. Gibson, M.A., of Glenapp (net personalty £2,878)	3,006
HAYWARD, Mr. Arthur William, of Pine-terrace, Broughty Ferry, Fife, teacher of music (personal estate)	2,718
HEATON, Mrs. Lucy, of Elm Park House, Elm Park-gardens, S.W., and late of Scarborough, wife of G. Heaton (estate in her own disposition) (net personalty £8,988)	9,407
HUME, Mr. Robert Marshall, M.B., Ch.B., of Aymer, Rajputana, India, late of Seaview-terrace, Joppa, Edinburgh (personal estate)	1,550
JAMESON, Mr. Hamilton Douglas, of Hatch House, Hatch, Brentwood, Essex, bank official (net personalty £4,973)	6,793
JONES, Mr. William, of Stalbridge, near New Quay, Cardigan, retired builder (net personalty £5,838)	7,850
KING, Mrs. Sophia, of Cambridge-terrace, Hyde Park, W., widow of E. H. King (unsettled) (net personalty £5,039)	5,197
MORRIS, Mr. Joseph, of Fern Bank, Clermiston-road, Corstorphine, Edinburgh (personal estate)	11,352
PARKINSON, Mr. John Moynes, of Shipquay-street, Londonderry, and Glashill, King's Co., retired draper (personal estate in Great Britain and Northern Ireland)	4,528
PEARSON, Mrs. Louisa Kirkby Lunn ("Mme. Kirkby Lunn") (56), of Marlborough-road, St. John's Wood, N.W., famous as an opera singer, wife of William J. K. Pearson (unsettled property in her own disposition) (net personalty £28,328)	28,718
POOLE, Mr. Harry James (80), of Hartley Wintney, Hants, builder (net personalty nil)	27,372
RAWSON, Miss Edith (80), of Rutland-gate, Kensington, W., daughter of the late H. Rawson, J.P., of Prestwich Lodge, Lancashire (net personalty £8,884)	9,381
SEVILLE, Mr. Samuel Heywood (68), of Cavendish-road, West Didsbury, partner in Atkinson, Saunders, and Co., solicitors, Manchester (net personalty £30,453)	31,020
SMITHSON, Mrs. Annie Marion, of Kings-road, Brighton, widow of J. Smithson (net personalty £4,645)	6,336
TAYLEUR, Miss Frances Agatha, of Washington House, Basil-street, Knightsbridge, S.W. (unsettled) (net personalty £5,965)	6,569
THOMSON, Mr. Robert, of Cora Linn, St. Mary's-road, Peckham, S.E., credit draper (net personalty £24,826)	25,480
WATERS, the Rev. Samuel George (79), of Gaveston-road, Leamington Spa, formerly of Meriden Vicarage, Coventry, at one time Headmaster of Nuneaton Grammar School (net personalty £1,916)	2,672
WHITE, Mr. William Lincoln, of The Limes, Byron's-lane, Macclesfield, governing director of John W. White and Sons, Limited, silk dyers (net personalty £15,098)	16,860
WILSON, Mrs. Anne Wainwright (81), of West Hill-terrace, Chapel Allerton, Leeds, widow of R. Wilson, J.P. (net personalty £5,387)	5,535
WILSON, Mr. John Weir Beat, of Marlborough-road, Shipley, Yorks, headmaster of the Otley-road Council School, Shipley (net personalty £1,146)	1,722
WOORE, Surgeon Lieutenant-Commander Francis, R.N., of Chelston Cottage, Chelston, Torquay (net personalty £2,838)	2,907
YOUNG, Mr. William (59), of The Highlands, Wistaston, near Crewe, cattle dealer (net personalty £3,838)	23,577

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SPRING IN THE NORTH

A DEER FOREST IN APRIL

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

In a Highland deer forest spring is late in loosening the bonds of winter. March brought no lessening of the winter cold, but, rather, fierce blizzards out of the north, numbing the curlews and oyster catchers and taking toll of the lapwings. Deer are in sorry plight. A number of young beasts have died; many more will succumb unless the weather mends. But the golden eagle, hardy child of the hills, is already nesting.

Last week, when for a few brief hours the sun shone warm and the south wind spoke softly of summer, we climbed a glen of pines and junipers where the goosander has her home and the crested titmouse makes high-pitched music in the swaying tree tops. At the head of the glen is a very old pine where an eagle for a generation and more has had her eyrie. The nest was untouched and derelict, but later in the day, all unexpectedly, a new eyrie was discovered.

For an eagle this was a surprisingly small nest. It was built on a very ancient fir, and was far out among the branches. The tree was sheltered, yet with a wide view. The eyrie appeared deserted. We stood beside, then beneath, the tree, and there was still no appearance of the bird. At last from the nest came a small, sharp call, and the old eagle rose to her feet, stood a moment proudly on the edge of the eyrie, then sailed out on splendid wings and disappeared down the glen. The nest was built of pine branches and contained two eggs.

Not many miles from this eagle's eyrie is a wild, rocky glen where eagle, peregrine falcon, and raven nest together. It is fortunate that the owner of this deer forest affords protection to the birds of prey. There are places in the Northern Highlands where the eagle is ignominiously shot as she leaves her eggs. So it is pleasant to find eagle, raven, and peregrine inhabiting the same glen. If the observer be fortunate he sees the peregrine shoot out from the precipice where his eyrie is hidden, and launch himself like a thunderbolt upon the eagles as they sail leisurely up the glen. But the eagles give little heed to the peregrine's attacks and the peregrine is too clever to venture close to the great talons which have crushed the life out of so many grouse and hares. Then the scene is changed, and as the peregrine ventures upon the raven's territory the old raven sails furiously out and stoops, croaking harshly, upon him. The peregrine perhaps retaliates. Well do these adversaries know each other's prowess. They take no liberties with one another, for they hold each other in respect. But one spring morning the old raven was sunning himself on his rock when three large white birds came in sight. The raven flew out to shepherd the strangers off his territory. As they approached him he saw that they resembled no birds he in his long experience had seen. They glided rather than flew, yet moved toward the North at a surprising speed. He croaked less confidently, but nevertheless flew out to do battle with these strangers. The snowy owls—for such they were—heeded him not, and easily outpaced him as they continued their flight toward the frozen North.

A strange fate befell an eagle's eyrie of my acquaintance. Each spring—if the ground be clear enough of snow and the weather dry enough—the stalkers burn large areas of the old heather to encourage the growth of the young grass for the early feeding of the deer. One day of strong sunshine, when the moor was dry as tinder, a fire was kindled. On a rock near an eagle had her eyrie. The fire spread, and by a narrow heathery gulley climbed to the eagle's nest and fired it. The next day the eyrie was still smouldering, and the two eggs were very hard baked indeed.

The ptarmigan of the forest are by now beginning to moult their winter plumage of snowy feathers. They are hardy birds, and never, unless they are near starvation, descend to the glens. No bird broods her eggs so closely as the ptarmigan, and we have taken an egg from beneath a bird without disturbing her and afterwards lifted and held her in the hand, then again set her on her nest, without causing her to take flight. "Grouse" disease, and a heavy and prolonged snowstorm a few years ago, thinned the ranks of the ptarmigan; it will be many seasons before they are again so plentiful as they were immediately after the War.

The first summer migrant to reach the deer forests is the sprightly wheatear. Last year he arrived on April 8: this year he was later by a single day. As the wheatear is the first migrant to come to us, so are the purple saxifrage and the draw-moss the first two flowers to follow on the heels of winter. On south-leaning banks the purple mountain saxifrage is already opening the blooms that delight the eye in the frozen isles of the Arctic as well as in the Scottish Highlands, and on the boggy wastes the golden flower-head of the draw-moss attracts the wandering hill sheep and the red deer.

THE COACHING CLUB

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COMING SEASON

Lord Desborough, the president, was in the chair at the annual meeting of the Coaching Club, which was held at the Ritz Hotel, the other members of the club present being the vice-president and hon. secretary, Mr. C. J. Phillips, Sir Bertram Falle, Sir Edward Stern, Sir George Hastings, Sir Leonard Powell, Major-General Geoffrey White, Captain the Hon. George Savile, Captain H. R. Kerr, Captain G. C. Dobb, Mr. W. W. Theobold, Mr. Sidney Allen, Mr. W. J. Collins, and Mr. W. R. Horton. The Hon. Henry Mond, M.F.H., was elected a new driving member of the club.

The first turn-out of coaches for the season was fixed for May 31, the Saturday before the Derby, at the Magazine in Hyde Park at 11.30 for a drive to Ranelagh and luncheon at the invitation of the Ranelagh Club. The second meet will be held at the same time and place on June 11, when members will again drive to Ranelagh for the horse show there at which the Coaching Club is giving a challenge cup in the open four-in-hand class. There will be a third meet on the afternoon of July 3 at the Aldershot Command Horse Show by special invitation of the show committee.

The usual drives have been arranged to the Richmond Royal Horse Show on the second day and to the International Horse Show at Olympia on June 25. There will be yet another drive to Ranelagh on July 5 to watch the last international polo match before the team leaves for the United States of America. The annual Coaching Club dinner will take place at the Savoy Hotel on Friday, May 30, the evening before the opening meet. The usual donations were voted to the Cabdrivers' Benevolent Fund and the Easter Monday Van Horse Parade, and it was decided to give a cup for coach horses shown in single harness to a phaeton at the Richmond Horse Show.

NEW MOTOR LIFE-BOAT FOR TENBY

A new motor life-boat which the Royal National Life-boat Institution has built for its station at Tenby, Pembrokeshire, has left the building yard at Cowes for her station. The new boat is of the Watson cabin type, 45ft. 6in. by 12ft. 6in., with two 40 h.p. engines, giving her a speed of 8½ knots. She has been built out of a legacy from the late Mr. John R. Webb, of Leicester. The life-boat station at Tenby was established in 1852 and has a record of 200 lives rescued from shipwreck. Tenby has had a motor life-boat since 1923, and the old boat will be placed in the reserve fleet of the institution.

OBITUARY

SENATOR DESSAULLES

Our Ottawa Correspondent telegraphs that Senator Georges Casimir Dessaulles, the oldest member of the Canadian Senate and of any Parliament in the British Empire and probably in the whole world, died at St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, on Saturday at the age of 102. Early on Thursday morning an outbreak of fire at his house made it necessary to remove the Senator, who had been bedridden for about a year, to the local hospital, and the shock proved fatal.

Dessaulles was the son of an eminent French-Canadian politician in his day, and his mother was a daughter of Louis Joseph Papineau, the famous tribune of the Quebec *habitants*, who was also the grandfather of Henri Bourassa, the Nationalist leader. He was born in September, 1827, at St. Hyacinthe, a prosperous town in Eastern Quebec, and his connexion with it was never broken throughout his long life. He was a successful business man, and his local popularity was attested by the fact that he was elected Mayor of St. Hyacinthe more than 20 times and only once did his candidature encounter opposition.

In politics he was an earnest Liberal and an active ally of Laurier in his early struggles with the Roman Catholic hierarchy, but, apart from serving one brief term in the Quebec Legislature, he sought no political honours, and there was much surprise when in 1903, at the age of 76, he was selected to fill a senatorial vacancy by his old friend Laurier. The story goes that Sir Wilfrid, unable to decide between the claims of some rival candidates for the vacancy, deliberately selected Dessaulles on account of his advanced years, in the expectation that the opportunity of filling the vacancy would soon recur and that it could then be filled more satisfactorily. Yet Dessaulles not only outlived his leader but saw practically the whole *personnel* of the Senate which welcomed him as a new member in 1903 vanish from the public stage. He was a man on the threshold of middle age when Confederation came to pass, and yet he lived to see its Diamond Jubilee. Even in his hundredth year he was a regular attender at the sessions of Senate, and in the capital he was a deeply respected figure. When he celebrated his hundredth birthday in September, 1927, the people of his native town declared a public holiday, and political friends and foes joined in showering tributes upon the venerable Senator, who had witnessed the growth of Canada from a struggling pioneer community to a full-fledged nation.

LORD MORAY

The Earl of Moray, who celebrated his 75th birthday on Wednesday last, the anniversary of Culloden, died on Saturday at Darnaway Castle, Forres.

As Mr. Morton Stuart, he was educated at St. John's College, Cambridge, where he took honours in natural science. He was of a quiet, reserved nature, and took very little part in public life. He assumed the name of Gray in 1901 on succeeding to the estates of that family, but resumed that of Stuart when he succeeded his brother in the earldom in 1909. His chief interest was arboriculture, on which subject he was a recognized authority, and he took an active part in the affairs of the Royal Scottish Arboriculture Society. Some years ago, on Lord Moray's invitation, members of the society spent two days inspecting the famous Darnaway Forest, which contains some of the finest specimens of pine and oak in the United Kingdom. Darnaway Castle has been in the possession of the Stuarts since 1562, and contains many relics of former holders of the title, including the Earl who was Regent of Scotland and who was assassinated in 1570. Lord Moray was also an amateur artist of much taste, and possessed a large collection of pictures. He married, in 1890, Edith Douglas, daughter of Rear-Admiral George Palmer, and had four sons. He is succeeded by his eldest son, Lord Doune, M.C., Scottish Horse and R.A.F., who married Barbara, daughter of Mr. J. A. Murray, of New York, and has two daughters. Another son is Captain the Hon. J. G. Stuart, M.C., M.P., who married Lady Rachel, daughter of the Duke of Devonshire. Lord Moray's only daughter is the wife of Vice-Admiral Sir H. T. Buller.

The funeral will be at Darnaway on Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

LORD CHURSTON

The death of Lord Churston at his home, Laleham House, Middlesex, was announced in our later editions on Saturday. He was 56. He had recently undergone a serious operation. Born on November 9, 1873, John Reginald Copes Yarde-Buller was educated at Winchester, and joined the Scots Guards. He was A.D.C. to the Viceroy of India, and later to the Duke of Connaught, and served in the South African War. He was formerly inspector of Quartermaster-General's services, and was made M.V.O. in 1903 and O.B.E. in 1918. Four years ago his country seat at Brixham, Devon, was gutted by fire, and two years later a quantity of valuable furniture and pictures which had been saved were destroyed by another outbreak of fire in the stables adjoining the mansion where they had been stored. In 1907, three years before his succession to the title, he married Miss Jessie Smither, better known as Denise Orme, a noted musical comedy actress. The marriage was dissolved two years ago. He leaves two sons and four daughters. He is succeeded by his elder son, Richard Francis Roger, who was born in 1910. One of his daughters married Mr. Loel Guinness, only son of Mr. Benjamin Guinness.

CANON J. K. WILSON

Canon Joseph Kershaw Wilson, vicar and rural dean of Bromley, died at Bromley early yesterday, after a long illness. He was in his seventy-sixth year. A graduate of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, where he was a Mawson Scholar, he was ordained in 1880 and filled curacies at Birmingham, Mortlake, and Wimbledon before becoming vicar of St. Margaret's, Rochester, in 1902. The Bishop of Rochester appointed him to the vicarage of Bromley 15 years ago and an honorary canon of Rochester in 1922. Canon Wilson leaves a widow, two daughters, and a son, the Rev. D. J. Wilson, who is cuarte of Dartford.

MR. E. A. COLLINS, K.C.

The death occurred suddenly in Dublin on Thursday, at the age of 54, of Mr. E. A. Collins, K.C., one of the district justices of Dublin. Mr. Collins left his home in Upper Mount-street to attend to his duties in the Courts, but he became ill in a tramcar, and was taken to Sir Patrick Dun's Hospital, where he was found to be dead. A native of Dublin, he was educated at Belvedere College and the old Royal University. He was called to the Irish Bar in 1897, and, having taken silk, was appointed a stipendiary magistrate in 1921, a position which was afterwards altered to that of district justice. For some time he served as private secretary to Lord Chancellor Walker, acting afterwards in the same capacity for the Right Hon. Redmond Barry. Mr. Collins was an able and popular justice, and his untimely death is much regretted.

MRS. STAPLES-BROWNE

The sudden death at Oxford on Wednesday of Mrs. Staples-Browne at the age of 55 will be a severe loss to all students of primitive religion and folk-lore and to a wide circle of friends. Mrs. Staples-Browne was a full-blood Maori. After taking the regular anthropological course in the University she was devoting her time at Oxford, where she was a member of the Society of Home-Students, to a complete exposition of Maori folk-lore and religious customs. The especial value of this work lay in the fact that it did not consist, as do so many similar works, of the scanty gleanings of an alien anthropologist, but was a history of a remarkable people written by one of themselves, who by her hereditary position knew all the traditional lore, and at the same time had studied Western methods of comparative anthropology. It is satisfactory to know that this, her life's work, although not yet published, has received her final revision.

In addition to her literary work, Mrs. Staples-Browne had formed a large and valuable collection of objects illustrating Maori culture, and on rare occasions could be persuaded to use them as a background for a lecture or informal talk, an experience not easily forgotten by any who had the good fortune to be a member of her audience.

LADY WILSON

Mr. F. H. Clayton, chairman and treasurer, Shaftesbury Homes and Arethusa Training Ship, writes:—These homes and training ship have lost a great and valued friend in Lady Wilson. She was especially interested in the Newport Market Army Bands School, and was a regular and efficient member of its house committee, taking a very close interest in the welfare of the boys and their school garden. She annually organized a very successful sale of Irish linen for the funds of the school, and recently a performance at the Scala Theatre for the same object. Her wise words when presenting the prizes recently at the society's Sudbury Hall School, about to be moved to Esher Place, will long be remembered, as also her subsequent advice and help to the girls in beautifying their gardens.

COUNT DE LA VAULX

A PIONEER AIRMAN

Our Paris Correspondent telegraphs:—

The death of Count de la Vaulx [reported on another page] came as a painful shock to his many friends and collaborators in France, who had become so accustomed to his long record of successful flying that they almost ceased to feel any apprehension for his safety. Count de la Vaulx was born in 1870, and first distinguished himself as an explorer in South America. He was one of the founders of the French Aero Club in 1896, and in 1900 he won the first prize of the Paris Exhibition for aeronautics by a flight in a balloon from Paris to Kieff. He was one of the earliest pilots of dirigible airships in France, and was later a pioneer of flying in heavier-than-air machines. Count de la Vaulx became president of the International Aeronautical Federation some years ago, in succession to Prince Roland Bonaparte.

It was his custom to make a long propaganda flight abroad every year, and the tour of South and North America during which he was killed was begun two months ago. He left Toulouse by air in February, flew to Dakar, crossed by the mail steamer to South America, and visited all the major capitals of that continent by air. On March 20 he was at Panama, on March 22 at Costa Rica, and on April 10 he arrived in Washington, from which he went on to New York and Canada. His journey, if completed, would have been 50,000 miles long, and he probably held the record for long-distance flying by a private passenger.

An official tribute is paid to him by the French Government in a special "Ordre de la Nation" published in the *Journal Officiel*.

COUNT BRUNO D'HARCOURT

Our Paris Correspondent telegraphs:—

Count Bruno d'Harcourt, the son-in-law of the Duc de Guise, died at Casablanca on Saturday of injuries received in a motor accident some days ago. Marie Hervé Jean Bruno, Comte d'Harcourt, was born at Vevey in September, 1899, the eldest son of Count Eugène d'Harcourt and Armande de Pierre de Bernis. He married Isabelle Princess d'Orléans, daughter of the Duc de Guise, in 1923, and had four children. The heir to the title, Bernard d'Harcourt, was born in Morocco on January 1, 1925.

COMMANDER SMYTHIES

Commander Edward Powell Smythies, R.N., retired, died on April 14, at the age of 76. He entered the Navy as a cadet in August, 1867, and was made sub-lieutenant in December, 1873, and lieutenant in April, 1878. He specialized in navigating duties, and in August, 1880, became navigator of the gunvessel Linnet in China. Those were the days of long commissions, and his service in this ship extended until 1886, in April of which year he joined the gunboat Misteltoe, stationed in the Channel Islands. From 1890 to 1894 he was navigator of H.M.S. Dreadnought (the predecessor of the famous all-big-gun ship of that name) in the Mediterranean. He then entered the Coastguard Service, and from February, 1895, was inspecting officer at Dungeness. His retirement, with the rank of commander, was dated February 17, 1899.

ENGINEER-COMMANDER BENNETT

Engineer-Commander David Jackson Bennett, R.N., died on April 13 at High Park, Ryde, at the age of 70. He entered the Service as an assistant engineer in July, 1880, and passed the special course at the Royal School of Naval Architecture and the Royal Naval College, Greenwich. During the naval and military operations near Suakin, Eastern Sudan, in 1884, he was assistant engineer of the Orontes, and was awarded the Egyptian medal and the Khedive's bronze star. He was promoted to engineer in 1885, chief engineer in 1892, staff engineer (now engineer-commander) in 1896, and fleet engineer in 1900. From November of the last-named year he was engineer officer of the battleship Glory, flagship in China. He retired in March, 1907.

THE REV. F. W. WILLIS

The Rev. F. W. Willis, who was rector of Warrington from 1888 to 1920, died on Good Friday at Cheltenham, aged 88. Graduating at Corpus Christi College, Oxford, he was ordained in 1867 and, after filling several curacies, was for 16 years vicar of All Saints, Wellingborough. While at Warrington he built daughter churches and raised for church development £30,000 by public subscriptions from 1890 to 1912. He was an honorary canon of Liverpool and chaplain to the Bishop of Liverpool from 1895 to 1920. When he retired he was succeeded as rector of Warrington by his son, Canon F. E. d'A. Willis. Mr. and Mrs. Willis celebrated their diamond wedding in 1928.

ECCLESIASTICAL NEWS

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

The Bishop of Worcester has collated the REV. H. G. CLINCH to the vicarage of Claines, near Worcester, rendered vacant by the resignation of the Rev. O. A. Moore. Mr. Clinch formerly served in the Indian Police, and since his ordination in 1926 has been curate of Pershore.

The REV. H. H. MAUGHAN, curate at Christ Church, Epsom, has been appointed by the Bishop of London to be missioner for the new district of North Hillingdon, near Uxbridge.

Mr. H. A. BENNETT, organist and choirmaster at Doncaster Parish Church, will leave in August to become organist at Rochester Cathedral. Mr. Bennett was formerly assistant organist to Dr. Bairstow at York Minster.

NOTES

The Rev. J. L. Knowles has resigned the perpetual curacy of New Mills.

The Rev. J. B. Marsh, who has been Chaplain at Monte Carlo from 1923, will resign at the end of this season owing to ill-health.

Bishop E. J. Bidwell will speak on "The Church and Empire Settlement" at the Church of St. Edmund, King and Martyr, Lombard-street, E.C.3, on Wednesday, April 30, at 1.10 p.m.

At the church of St. Mary Woolnoth, Lombard-street, the Rev. G. H. Harris, editorial secretary of the C.M.S., will give four addresses on the subject of "The Unity of the Church" on the first four Fridays in May at 1.15 p.m. Each service will last half-an-hour.

The Archbishop of Canterbury will consecrate Canon E. S. Woods as Bishop of Croydon on Thursday, May 1, at 10.30 a.m. in Westminster Abbey. Friends who desire to be present should apply for tickets to the Vicarage, Croydon.

The Duke of Gloucester will preside at the annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society at Queen's Hall on Wednesday, May 7, at 11 a.m. The speakers will be Lord Forster, the Rev. W. J. Noble, of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, and the Rev. Dr. John Wilson, formerly president of the London Baptists' Association.

The Church Music Society proposes to hold a summer school at the Bishop Otter College, Chichester, from the afternoon of September 1 till the morning of September 5. Applications, which will be considered in accordance with priority, should be addressed to the local secretary, the Rev. G. Irvine, St. Paul's Vicarage, Chichester. A deposit of 5s.—which will be returned immediately in any case of non-acceptance—must be sent with the application.

HISTORY OF A HARROW CHURCH

A new Congregational church, costing about £10,000, has been opened at Harrow. The church traces its history back to 1659, when the Puritan rector of All Hallows, Bread-street, Dr. Lazarus Seaman, withdrew from that church and formed a Presbyterian church in Silver-street. In 1694 the congregation moved into a meeting-house in Silver-street, and from that time onwards the church was Independent. It is recorded that during the ministry of John Howe, the Lord Mayor (Sir Thomas Abney), who was a member of the congregation in 1701, attended a service in state and "took the City regalia to a nasty conventicle." In 1840 the building in Silver-street was found to be unsafe and a new site was found in Falcon-square. As it was found impossible to maintain a congregation from an area where the dwellings had given place to offices and warehouses, the building and site were sold in 1905 and the Silver-street Congregational church was established at Harrow.

PARIS FASHIONS

THE WEDDING OF THE SEASON

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

The trousseau of Miss Anne Tyrrell, only daughter of Lord and Lady Tyrrell, is being made by Molyneux. Miss Tyrrell is to be married on April 30 at the Cathedral of Notre Dame.

The wedding dress is of fine white crêpe georgette embroidered in real silver thread. The pattern is of roses, and the style medieval, for the straight-fitting bodice has long tight sleeves reaching over the hands, and a little square at the throat. All the fullness of the skirt starts from the knees and trails away behind into a sweeping but not very long train. From the shoulders hangs the great train of nearly three yards; between this long train and the shorter flow of the dress will hang the white tulle veil, joining, as it were, the two trains together so that there will be no heavy lines. In front the veil hangs down in points, low on the dress; it is attached to the head with a fine line of orange-blossom set straight across the brow and widening a little above the ears. The slippers match the dress. The bride will go away in a figured georgette dress, the colour of which has yet to be decided. Among her other dresses is a trim black jersey cloth coat and skirt to be worn with a white georgette blouse. For the morning there is a simple dress of rose and black spotted material which is fitted with loose knickers, worn for games without the skirt of the dress. For the evening there is a pale blue chiffon dress, slender in line and long to the feet; while another of bright red is cut much on the same lines. Both dresses have little wraps; the red one has a flounced cape, the blue one a bertha with long ends. A black net dinner dress has a little coat. All three dresses have low backs and open necks in front. They are all long and very well proportioned. There are to be no bridesmaids. Small pages in white will carry the train.

Many ensembles have been prepared for guests at this wedding. With fine red georgette printed with darker and lighter red flowers will be a wide-brimmed fine straw hat of the same colour trimmed with a red flower. With a mauve and grey chiffon dress will be a mauve straw hat trimmed with mauve and grey flowers. Many black and white ensembles made of figured chiffon or georgette will be worn under plain black coats and with deep-brimmed hats with low crowns, or small, close-fitting berets and bonnets, of black straw, ribbon, taffeta, trimmed with a flower over one ear, a bow of ribbon, a feather, or a diamond clasp. On black ensembles fine pearls and diamonds will be worn. Wraps will be worn in church, but not at the reception at the Embassy afterwards.

Dainty gloves are now in fashion for the evening as well as by day. Long, well-fitting coloured suède gloves go with long chiffon, lace, and satin dresses. With a Chartreuse-green chiffon dress will be Chartreuse-green gloves; with a black dress black gloves or coloured gloves to match the shoes. Some evening gloves are elaborately embroidered on the arm. Fine embroidered net mittens have been worn, and may become fashionable, since they are more easily slipped on and off than gloves. There are more close-fitting headdresses in the evening now that many are letting their hair grow. To have the arms covered under a cape and the hair tidily set under a turban or cap are rules which are willingly followed.

THE COMING COURTS

As space for descriptions of dresses to be worn at their Majesties' Courts on May 14, 15, 27, and 28 will be strictly limited, inquiries should be addressed, in writing, to the Social Editor, *The Times*, Printing House-square, E.C.4, at the earliest possible moment.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY

Easter Monday.

Independent Labour Party: Annual conference, Birmingham.

Cooperative Party: Annual conference, Buxton.

National Association of Schoolmasters: Annual conference, Manchester.

National Union of Teachers: Annual conference, Bournemouth.

Conference on New Ideals in Education, Oxford.

League of Young Liberals: Annual conference, Chester.

British Drama League: School of Community Drama, Royal Academy of Dramatic Art.

National Amalgamated Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen, and Clerks: Annual conference, Dundee.

National Union of Distributive and Allied Workers: Annual delegate meeting, York.

Good Templars Grand Lodge: Annual session, Brighton.

National Federation of Sub-Postmasters: Annual conference, Weston-super-Mare.

Canterbury Chess Tournament.

National Flying Services: Air pageant, London Air Park, Hanworth, 2.30.

Annual parade of London Van Horses, Inner Circle, Regent's Park, 9.

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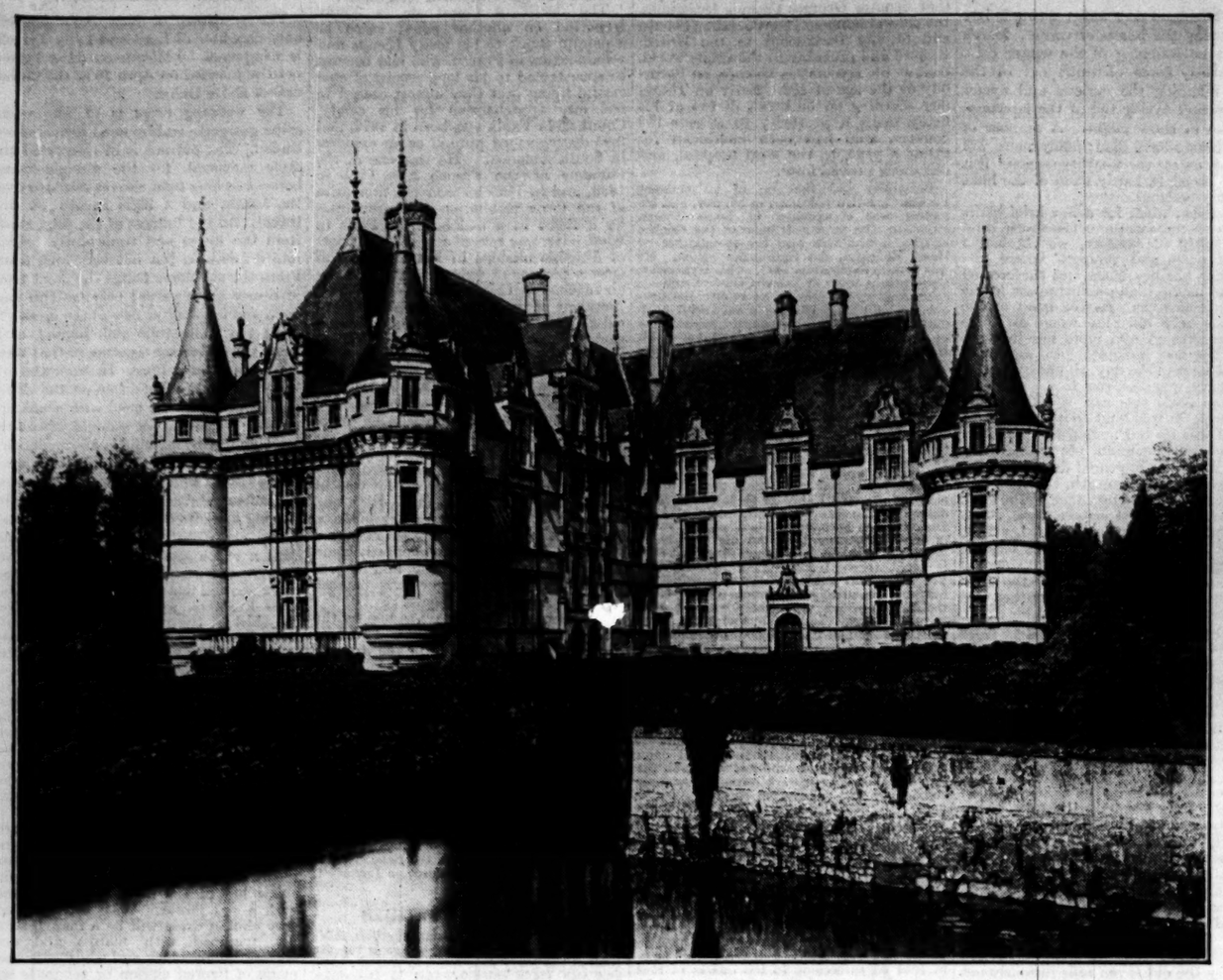
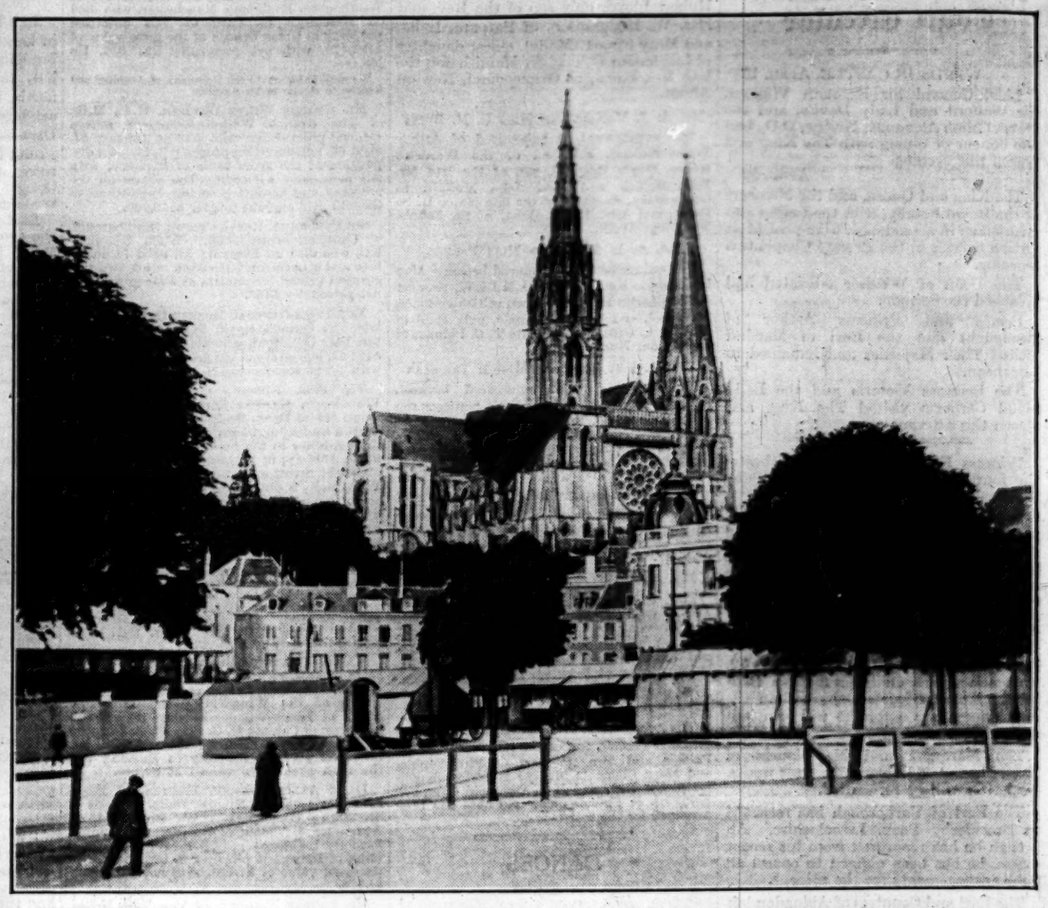
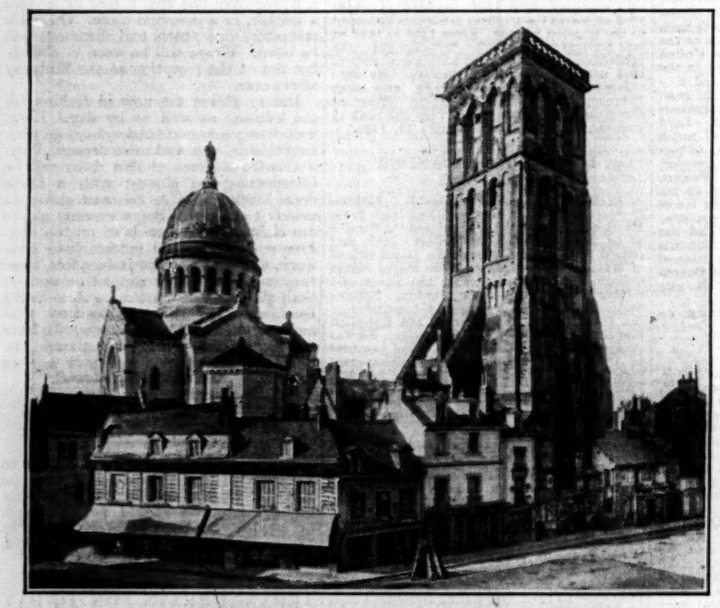
HISTORIC MONUMENTS OF FRANCE: PRESERVATION BY THE STATE

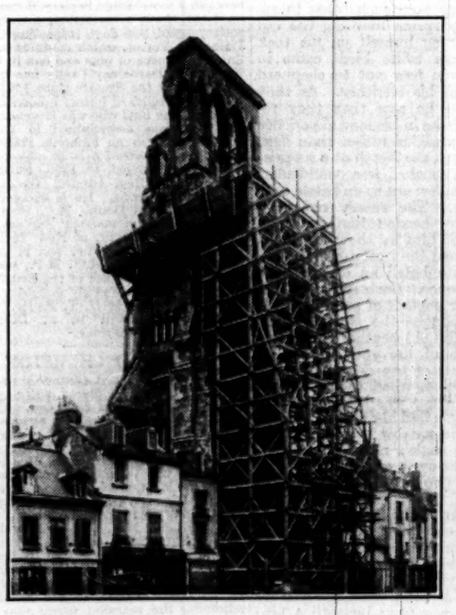


THE CHATEAU D'AZAY-LE-RIDEAU.—In view of the growth of the movement in this country for the preservation of historic and artistic monuments, particular interest attaches to the article on page 11 dealing with the way in which the problem is being tackled in France. **Above** is the Château d'Azay-le-Rideau, one of the most beautiful of the châteaux of the Loire, which was purchased by the State in 1905.

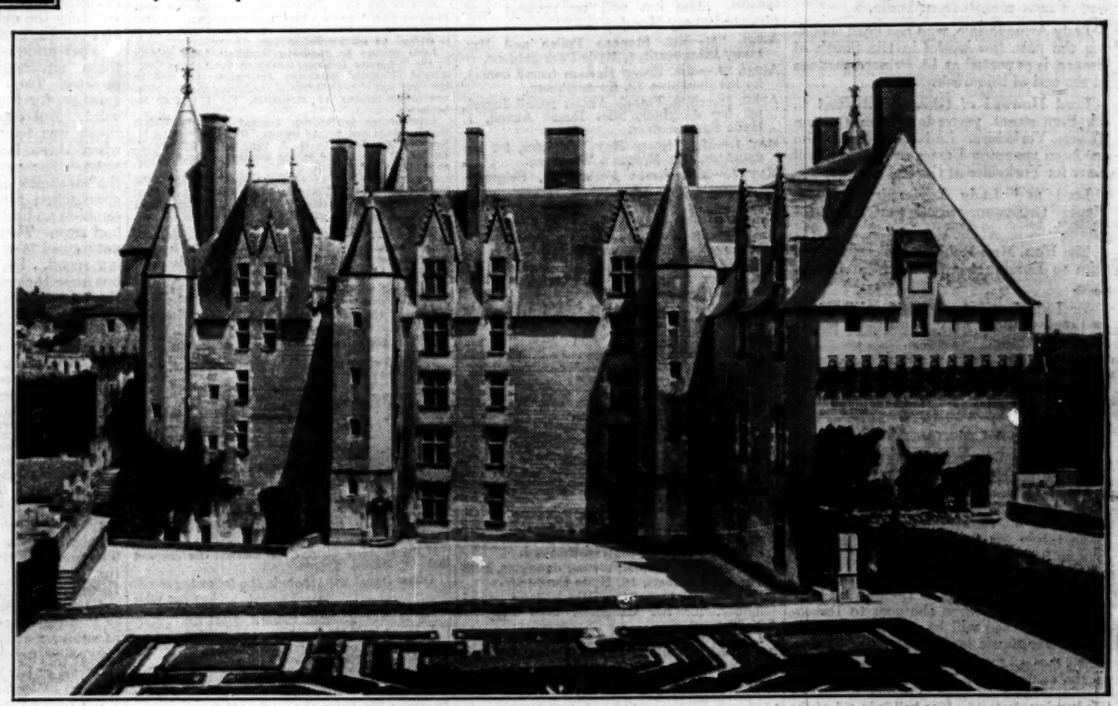


CHARTRES CATHEDRAL.—For the last 50 years a vast work of repair has been in progress at Chartres Cathedral, the exterior of which is seen above. Since the State took its preservation in hand all the work has been done at the Government's expense except for a donation from an American benefactor. The Cathedral was rebuilt in its present form in 1260.

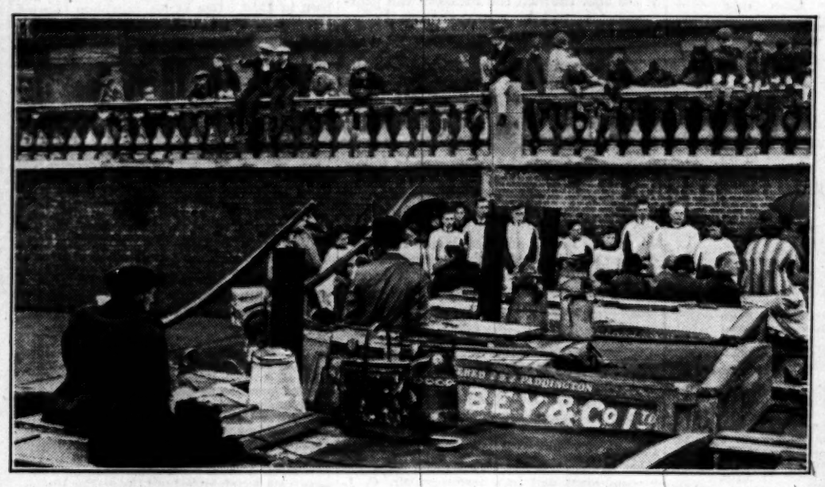




THE TOUR DE CHARLEMAGNE.—Restoration of the Tour de Charlemagne at Tours, a portion of which collapsed two years ago, has been delayed as the Municipality of Tours will not consent to subscribe the sum demanded by the Government. It is seen in the centre picture shored up with scaffolding, and on the left is a view taken before the collapse. As a last resort the Government can impose its decision on the Municipality. On the right is a photograph of the Château de Langeais, in the case of which a friendly agreement was concluded between the Government and the Académie de France.

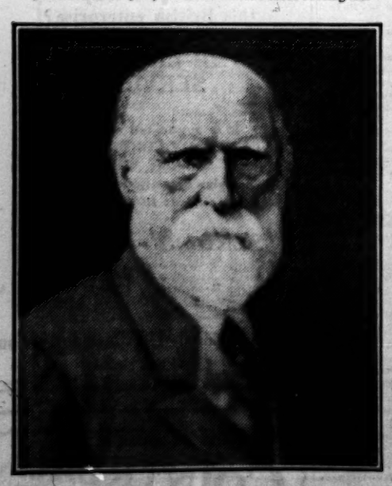


FLIGHT TO THE CAPE.—The Duchess of Bedford, with her two pilots, Captain Barnard and Mr. Robert Little, landed at Cape Town on Saturday after flying 9,000 miles from England in 100 flying hours. She is seen at Lympne Aerodrome with Captain Barnard (left) and Mr. Little before setting off.

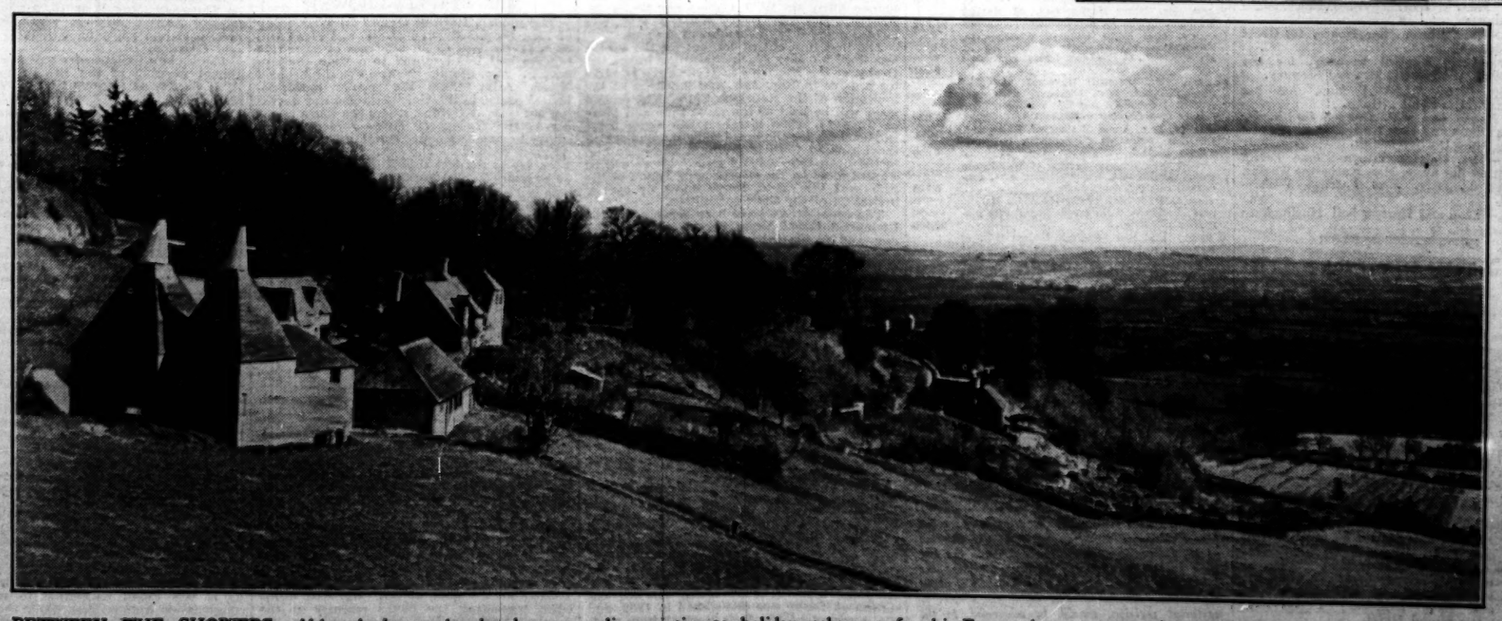


A SERVICE FOR BARGEES.—A special Easter Sunday service was held by the Church Army from the towpath of the Grand Junction Canal near Blomfield-road Bridge, where, owing to the draining of a section of the canal, many barges had collected. The service in progress.

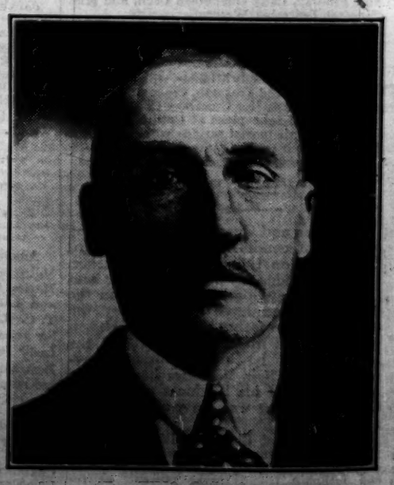
ROYAL FUNERAL IN SIAM.—The urn containing the body of the late Prince Mahidol of Songkhla about to be carried into the Phra Meru (cremator ium). Prince Mahidol, who was heir-presumptive to the Throne, died six months ago.



SENATOR G. C. DESSAULLES, the oldest member of the Canadian Parliament, who died in Quebec on Saturday, aged 102.



BETWEEN THE SHOWERS.—Although the weather has been very disappointing to holiday-makers so far this Easter, there were occasional glimpses of sunshine between the showers. During a fine spell this view was obtained looking southwards across the weald of Kent from Westerham Hill.



COUNT HENRI DE LA VAULX, the founder of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale, who was killed in an air crash near New York on Friday evening.

Agriculture

LIMITATIONS OF MARKETING

IMPORTS THE CAUSE OF LOW VALUES

DEMAND FOR EQUALITY

(FROM OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT)

Old beliefs, however ill-founded, are hard to eradicate, especially those relating to farmers and farming. That farmers "waste" time at markets is a misconception that has long outlived any justification it may ever have had. Farmers probably go to more markets than may be necessary for the transaction of business, but, if they do, can it truthfully be said that they are the only section of the community that excels the barest needs of their calling in this respect? But, apart from profitless comparisons of the habits or duties of different classes, the question of agricultural markets and the demands they make upon the time and attention of farmers is of vital importance at the present juncture.

The first thing is to get rid of the idea that the time spent at markets by the average farmer is either wasted or unnecessary. There is no abnormal proportion of defaulters in the sense indicated. It is wholly erroneous to suppose that markets are attended merely in order to sell produce or to buy what the farm requires from external sources. The markets are the trading centres, of course, but they are more, and serve other purposes of supreme importance to the industry, as anyone regarding the question from within will readily understand and admit. It is probably no exaggeration to say that, so far as buying and selling are concerned, attendance at markets might be considerably reduced. The market in effect is the farmer's club, the meeting place where the experiences and events of the week are exchanged, analysed, and discussed. So widely and fully is this estimate of the functions of the weekly or bi-weekly market recognized and proved, that the stay-at-home farmer often loses touch with the progress of things, and, in consequence, seldom ranks on a level in enterprise or efficiency with his neighbours. The market-place is the point at which converge the accumulated experiences and enlightenment of wide areas, and it would be a bad thing for British farming if farmers were deprived of this opportunity, or the facilities were restricted, for mixing and comparing notes. It is in this way that the knowledge acquired, from whatever source, can be pooled for the benefit of the district. The suggestion that the time occupied at markets, whatever the percentage—and it is no greater than that similarly allotted by Government officials and urban professional and business men for corresponding exchange of views—is wasted, is naturally and reasonably resented by farmers, and is regarded by them as springing from imperfect appreciation of the complicated and difficult nature of their industry.

THE POOLING PRINCIPLE

A point that is engaging attention at the moment is whether excesses in supply and depression in prices could be avoided by controlled or organized marketing. It is admitted that benefit may result, and in some cases has already resulted, from the adoption of new systems, mainly concerned with "marking" for purposes of identification, but farmers are warrantably doubtful about the possibility of ensuring markets and fair prices for them as the result of any marketing scheme that can be devised, short of regulating supplementary supplies from overseas. The sugar beet crop differs from all others, and under existing conditions affords no analogy regarding potatoes or corn, inasmuch as the terms under which the subsidy is given ensure a market for all the roots that can be produced in a young pursuit. A nearer analogy to some of the proposals for organized marketing is the wheat pool in Canada. Only a year or two ago the action of the Canadian wheat growers was eulogized and instanced as an example for British farmers. Without seeking to under-estimate the merits of that remarkable movement, it is clear in shorter time than the most sceptical could have expected that marketing difficulties are not to be overcome simply by organization at the sources of supply.

The pooling principle, efficiently exemplified in wheat in Canada, and in milk in Scotland, is definitely not sufficient in itself to give to producers the profitable outlets for their produce to which they may claim to be fairly entitled. This is true in a particular sense of this country, which welcomes surplus productions from anywhere, at any time, quite regardless of the effect upon home producers. Unrestricted importation appears to be the unalterable decree of the nation, and nothing is to be gained by seeking to ignore it in any attempt to adjust the markets and prices for the produce of our own land. On the contrary, prudence demands recognition of this fundamental principle in the framing of any scheme for amending the conditions under which farmers have to sell what they grow. The potato crop of 1929 is an example of the futility of the idea that organization would appreciably relieve the situation; and, if that were not enough, wheat, barley, and oats can be cited in support. The low values were due only in a minor sense, if at all, to want of organization in home markets; they were the direct outcome of excessive imports. Organized home marketing in itself will do little or nothing to effect what is needed to reward the home producer.

UNFAIR COMPETITION

Foreign methods are usually cited as worthy of emulation. I have given some attention to Continental procedure and I am not convinced, either from what I have seen on the spot, or heard explained at home, that the British farmer compares unfavourably with his neighbours across the North Sea in the selling of his produce. In the first place, British and Continental prices are necessarily fixed on different levels, for the reason that the costs of production differ. But the lauded cooperative methods obtain chiefly in regard to produce intended for export. At local markets or fairs, which abound on the Continent, producers take their various commodities to market and offer them in even smaller quantities than are common here. Comparisons that are made for the benefit or intended discomfiture of home producers relate primarily to articles consigned to Great Britain, and, inasmuch as the whole has to pass through a few channels, grading is made easy and cooperative trading becomes a not very cheap necessity. Little analogy exists in any sense, but cheaper labour abroad for grading and packing destroys any possibility of fair comparison.

Our marketing systems are capable of improvement, no doubt, but it is difficult to see that appreciable advance can be made by recourse to any principle that fails to establish some measure of basic justice to home producers respecting the cost of production. If British markets must be kept open to imports from abroad, home farmers are at least entitled, and the community cannot consistently object, to an assurance that supplies will be permitted only from sources where similar standards of hours and wages are enforced. British farmers will not shrink from competing on equal terms with their oversea rivals, but they are obviously unable to hold their ground on conditions of pronounced inequality.

FARMING NOTES AND COMMENTS

WARMER WEATHER WANTED

(FROM OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT)

The cold winds have long outstayed their welcome. Earlier in the season they dried the land and retarded fruit blossom in a manner conducive to timely work and safety, but in the middle of April or later they can fulfil no useful purpose, at any rate without more than discounting it by injury to tender forms of vegetation and causing stagnation in all classes of plant growth. On arable, mixed, and grass farms alike higher temperatures, frequent rains, and sunshine would be of great advantage. The cultivation of the land for root crops and the sowing of the seed would be facilitated by true April weather. Already work of this description is later than could be wished, and growers of sugar beet in particular declare that work will be in arrears if a change to more congenial conditions is delayed much longer. Spring corn looks moderately well, but there are signs of restricted development on account of the cutting winds and low temperatures. The meadows and pastures also are making slow progress for the time of year. In sheltered fields herbage is growing freely, especially where the land is light and porous, but on exposed pastures and meadows vegetation is backward. Cattle are going out to make what living they can, in addition to a ration of hay, but unless there is an early and emphatic change May Day grass will be far from plentiful.

VARIETIES OF SUGAR BEET

Sir John Russell referred at the luncheon of the Sugar Beet Society last week to the need for evolving varieties of sugar beet more suitable to the conditions in this country. At present seed has to be imported from abroad, and careful observation has shown that the variations in result are wider and less computable than would be the case if the crop, like mangolds, were grown from British seed. The imported seed is raised under conditions that seldom accord with those governing production here, and therefore fluctuation accrues that tells unduly upon the stability of the crop. If the strains were acclimatized the margin of variation would be narrowed appreciably and the average standard of production could be established on a more uniform basis. Seasonal variation will never be eliminated completely, but, as with other root crops, if the range of uncertainty could be reduced in the manner indicated an important step forward would be effected. As sugar beet has gained a position of importance and this year is contracted to occupy something like 320,000 acres, the point raised merits immediate and serious attention.

LUCERNE CULTURES

The success of the Rothamsted lucerne cultures in this country has been established beyond question, and the discovery of this method of inoculating seed will make the cultivation of lucerne practicable in many districts where formerly it had been very uncertain. The achievement of Rothamsted and the Royal Agricultural Society, pooling their respective resources, in devising a remedy for soil and climatic obstacles promises to be as valuable for oversea parts of the Empire as for Great Britain. An account of trials with the new Rothamsted cultures in Western Australia is extremely enthusiastic and reassuring. The State Department of Agriculture is satisfied that Rothamsted has overcome the impediments to the growing of lucerne in Western Australia, not only by developing the cultures but by producing them in a form capable of travelling for weeks on sea or land without injury to their vitality. Hitherto the cultures were impaired in vigour or made altogether valueless by weeks in transport, but these difficulties have been surmounted, and experiences in West Australia prove that no part of the world need hesitate to sow lucerne if the seed be inoculated with the latest Rothamsted cultures. The importance of this discovery would be difficult fully to estimate. It marks a triumph for our premier research station.

INSTITUTE OF BREWING

The report bringing up to date the research work undertaken by the Institute of Brewing (Brewers' Hall, Addle-street, London, E.C.2) gives an interesting account of progress made with the scheme. The research scheme was planned, and is conducted, with a view to creating a better working understanding between brewers and the farmers producing the raw material of the brewing industry in the first place, and also in order that suitable experiments and demonstrations should be carried out in different parts of the country. The trials relate chiefly, of course, to barley and hops, and the scheme of investigations under observation is comprehensive and instructive. Circumstances have not recently conduced to the happiest relations possible between producers and buyers of hops and barley, but work of the kind organized and supported by the institute is calculated to prove of definite value to farmers catering for the needs of the brewing industry. The latest report deserves respectful attention.

PROPOSED TOUR OF CANADA

That very energetic body the British National Union (218, Moorgate Station-chambers, London, E.C.2) is organizing a party of British farmers to tour Canada during August and September. The union exists to unite more closely the different parts of the Empire, and the arrangement of periodical visits by farmers to the various countries is part of the scheme formulated for that purpose. Representatives of this country, Canada, and South Africa have just concluded a tour in New Zealand, and circumstances suggested a visit to Canada this year, a few months after the return of the party now in the Antipodes. The arrangements made for the coming tour of the Dominion are very attractive. The cost is estimated at £155 to £160, and the programme is extensive and varied, including areas from the Maritime Provinces to British Columbia. The provisions made are inviting alike in regard to the interest and value of the trip and the cost at which it can be made. Mr. W. Addison, who is acting in Mr. Canham's absence in New Zealand, is arranging matters at the address mentioned.

CROP DISEASES

The scrutiny of the potato problem induced by the severe depression has resulted in emphasizing alleged laxity regarding the sound condition of imported potatoes. There is the same need to exercise care in protecting the health of our crops that obtains in the case of animals, and it has been suggested that our strenuous exertions in this direction at home are to some extent discounted by laxity concerning the imported supplies. At the present time the exportation of British potatoes to the United States, for instance, is hampered or prohibited, it is understood, on account of reputed disease infection, and if this be the case, and we are wanting in corresponding care regarding our imports, the position of home growers is obviously prejudiced beyond endurance. The point has been mentioned especially in Scotland, and merits urgent and serious investigation.

SCOTTISH BARLEY

The Morayshire Farmers' Club has raised again the question of foreign barley for the Scottish distilleries. Home production was heavy and of excellent quality last year, and yet foreign barley has continued to come in in large quantities to displace local supplies. It is alleged that the distillers are not observing their promise made two years ago to give preference to Scottish barley, even with the local price only 7s. per cwt., or 28s. a quarter. It is useless to contend that organized marketing could ensure for the grower a fair return on these terms. Denmark gets most of the trade, not because of better marketing, but simply because, with lower wages and longer hours, she can beat us in price.

REJECTED IRISH BULLS

Irish farmers are entitled to make the best market possible for their bulls that are rejected under the cattle improvement scheme in that country, but there is no reason why this class of sire should be "dumped" on this side of the Channel, at any rate without resolute protest on our part. There are more than enough undesirable bulls here already, and to allow the lower grades of Irish bulls to come in to aggravate the position is a mistake that calls for immediate and firm correction. Norfolk appears to be the favourite dumping ground for these undesirables, and the frequency of consignments in that quarter, sometimes not very definitely marked, has roused the county farmers to demand action that will be effective in stopping the proceeding. The claim is deserving of serious attention in responsible quarters.

TWO CROPS OF LAMBS YEARLY

Mr. Pulham's wish for two crops of lambs a year is understandable from the point of view of the butcher who has to supply an exacting London market. Small joints and young are what are most in demand, and "lamb" all the year round would do something to simplify the trader's difficulties. New Zealand can provide for part of the time, but a wide span is left to be filled from home sources. The British farmer has already gone a long way nearer to fulfilling the requirements of the markets in this respect than his rivals in any other country. Two crops of lambs from the same flock are possible, and have been reared, but the system imposes too severe a strain upon the constitution of even the robust Dorset Horn breed, the most adaptable in this respect, and has usually had to be abandoned. But the home farmer comes fairly close to providing a supply throughout the year—not in equal numbers, perhaps, but in varying quantities. Beginning in August the normal lambing season continues till May, and nowhere else, it is believed, can any record of similar resource and skill on the part of owners, or adaptability on the part of the flocks, be found. The competence that is exemplified in the pastoral pursuit is without parallel in any other country, and that unquestioned supremacy probably accounts for the relative exemption of this branch of farming from mention by the champions of foreign achievements.

TURKEY BREEDING

METHODS OF REARING YOUNG STOCK

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT)

In spite of the lower prices at which turkeys were sold during the Christmas season of 1929 it is doubtful if there is any more profitable table poultry for the general farmer. It is difficult to get the actual expenses of rearing a turkey from the shell, and estimates that have been submitted vary so greatly that one feels some diffidence even in striking an average; but it is generally agreed that the cost of feeding depends upon the facilities for foraging, so that in reference to economical turkey raising it is implied that the birds are kept on a farm. But there are differences even in farm conditions, and the turkey rearer will stipulate not only for rich pastures but for a certain amount of woodland, made up to some extent of oaks, since acorns are good for turkeys in autumn. Their bulging crops are ample proof of the birds' partiality, while few consumers will find fault with the quality and flavour of the resultant flesh.

Some day a more enterprising race of turkey breeders may offer day-old turkey chicks; and supply reared poults that have "shot the red" and have embarked upon the stage of vigorous independence that is characteristic of the half-grown turkey. But at present there is a very general impression that turkey raising in the early stages is attended by grave risks, and cases are quoted where farmers have lost all their turkeys from one or more of those dire complaints to which these delicate creatures are supposed to be particularly susceptible. To what extent these unfortunates are the victims of unsuitable feeding and surroundings it is impossible to say; but it is safe to contend that feeding is one of the two main factors in rearing turkeys through the early stages. To those who have not been successful it may be suggested that dry foods, mash and seeds, with insects and herbage, should approximate to the natural diet of young turkeys.

The second factor is environment, and in these days of intensive and ultra-intensive brooding one is led to wonder how far an adaptation of the battery brooder system would counteract the natural disadvantages of outdoor rearing in springtime. Some years ago an enthusiastic turkey breeder showed the writer how he raised his broods with scarcely any loss by keeping them confined to well-lighted and ventilated outhouses until they were robust enough to withstand outdoor conditions. It was obvious, however, that while the method was effective in keeping the birds off the cold, wet ground, the danger of soil contagion could only be averted by daily replacement of the floor litter; and perhaps the wire floors associated with battery brooding would simplify the problem of environment, assuming that contamination through the droppings is one of the causes of failure to rear turkeys.

Those who have had experience of rearing turkeys in the United States and in Canada will agree that climatic conditions in this country are less favourable. Text books, even of the most elementary kind, advise readers to keep their young turkeys out of wet grass and to rear on sweet ground that has not previously carried feathered stock. That advice is well founded and it seems to indicate that under modern conditions the intensive brooder house and the wired floor may be of further help.

WORLD POULTRY CONGRESS

STRENGTHENING THE BRITISH LIVESTOCK EXHIBIT

The opinion has been expressed that March 31 was too early for closing the entries for the British livestock exhibit at the World Poultry Congress in July, and this may explain why the entry is not at present sufficiently representative to do justice to the industry. There is no lack of entries in the popular commercial breeds; indeed, the White Leghorns, White Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds, and Light Sussex would make an adequate display by themselves. But the congress authorities deem it desirable to have as many breeds and varieties as possible represented, so that specialist clubs and individual breeders are being asked to fill the gaps, which are chiefly among the purely exhibition breeds.

It is regarded as essential that all the British breeds and varieties should be displayed, and efforts are being made to secure a representative exhibit of Game, both Old English and Modern, also Dorkings, Cochins, Brahmas, and Hamburghs. Scots Dumpies are also wanted, together with some of the more beautiful colour varieties of the Wyandotte, such as the partridge, buff-laced and blue-laced. Bantam entries were very poor at the date for closing, while there were some surprising omissions in the duck section, not a single entry for Aylesburys, Indian Runners, or Rouens having been received by March 31. An appeal is therefore made to breeders of these and other varieties to make good the omissions so that the British section may be thoroughly representative of the industry. Particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, World Poultry Congress, Ministry of Agriculture, 10, Whitehall-place, London, S.W.1.

It has been intimated that the King of Spain is interested in the congress, and he hopes to visit the Crystal Palace if he is in England at the time. The King and Queen of Spain took a personal interest in the second World Poultry Congress, when it was held in Barcelona and Madrid in 1924.

EMPIRE RESOURCES

SUGGESTED SURVEY AND POOLING

The National Union of Manufacturers have submitted to the President of the Board of Trade a memorandum which they suggest should be included in the agenda of the Imperial Economic Conference to be held in London next autumn. The memorandum, after setting out the reasons why an economic union should be set up for the British Empire similar to that which has proved so successful for the United States, says:—

"The Dominions are anxious, and quite reasonably, to develop industries for which they consider they are suited, and we welcome these developments which tend to increase their spending power and therefore their capacity for absorbing our manufactures, but it is desirable from our point of view that such increased spending power should, so far as may be practicable having regard to their own interests, be directed towards the purchase of British products. We can, however, if we are prepared to facilitate the sale of their products in our markets, very reasonably ask them (as the Economic Mission to Australia suggested) not to protect secondary industries which are economically unsound and the volume of which in their countries is not likely in any reasonable period of time to be sufficient to enable satisfactory economic units of manufacture to be set up.

"In these circumstances as a preliminary measure we ask for a survey to be made of the mineral, agricultural, manufacturing, &c., resources of the Empire, with a view to pooling these resources and concentrating production in economic units in those places best suited to profitable production and cheap distribution. For this purpose we suggest that representatives should be summoned from all parts of the Empire to draw up in consultation a scheme for the development of the natural resources of the Empire, including the transportation of its products, for the encouragement of migration from its more crowded to its thinly populated parts, and at the same time to prepare a considered scheme of tariffs suitable for each part of the Empire, with a view to securing the success of the development scheme and the maintenance of the important industries at present in existence, and also those which will be initiated under the scheme.

"It is suggested that the Imperial Economic Conference should take into consideration the setting up, after the preliminary surveys have been completed, of a permanent body representative of Great Britain, the Dominions, India and the Colonies to watch the development of the measures recommended in the surveys, and to put forward from time to time in consultation with the various Governments such proposals as may be necessary for strengthening Empire commerce and industry."

MARKING OF IMPORTED SALMON

An application for an Order in Council under the Merchandise Marks Act, 1926, to require the marking of imported frozen or chilled salmon and trout with an indication of origin has been referred for inquiry to the Standing Committee set up under the Act. Under the provisions of the Act, while the Committee in every case referred to them must consider whether the goods should bear the indication of origin at the time of sale or exposure for sale, they may also, at their discretion, consider and report upon the question whether such goods should bear an indication of origin at the time of importation. The date of the inquiry will be announced later. Any communication with regard to the matter should be addressed, as early as possible, to Mr. H. J. Johns, the Secretary of the Standing Committee, 10, Whitehall-place, London, S.W.1.

LIVESTOCK SALES

BRITISH FRIESIAN HERD

170 GUINEAS FOR HEIFER

The great herd of British Friesian cattle at Knebworth, Herts, the property of Messrs. W. and R. Wallace, is being dispersed in three portions by Messrs. John Thornton and Co., and on Wednesday the second sale took place, 126 head of cattle bringing in £4,419 9s., and averaging £35 1s. 6d. There were several good prices. Moordale Deborah, a heifer, whose parents are both Royal Show champions, was probably the most admired animal offered; at 170 guineas this Yorkshire-bred daughter of Hache Buringa went to the herd of Mr. George Gee, Mayford, Woking. Mr. Gee also gave 72 guineas for another choice heifer, while Groundwell Hannah 8th, a young cow, with a great milk yield, was taken at 110 guineas by Mr. F. W. Gilbert, Chellaston Manor, Derbyshire. Mr. Gilbert was also the buyer for 50 guineas of Herrington Hermione, various other females making prices between that figure and 72 guineas. Several young bulls included Knebworth Ceres President, a yearling, which Mr. F. Parrott, a Lincolnshire buyer, obtained for 75 guineas.

The 25th annual show and sale of Lincoln Red and Coates' Shorthorn bulls at Leicester were conducted by Messrs. John Shakespear and McTurk on Thursday, and 69 head changed hands at an average price of £29 11s. 1d., the total sum realized being £1,980 6s. The challenge cup given by the Lincoln Red Shorthorn Association was won by Mr. W. Grant, of Navenby, Lincoln, with Skinnand Accurate 11th, a yearling, which made the top price of 50 guineas from Mr. W. H. Moss; 50 guineas was also given by Mr. L. W. Finlow for Baskerville Chorister, a super-qualified bull which led a dairy class for Lieutenant-Colonel E. C. Atkins. The group prize among the Lincoln Red bulls was gained by Messrs. Albone and Sons, Spridlington, Lincoln, Sir Gomer Berry exhibiting the winning trio of Shorthorns entered or eligible for Coates' Herd Book. Sir Gomer Berry's group consisted of three animals of pure Scottish blood, the one to make 35 guineas from Mr. T. Jackson being Basildon Clipper King, the leader of its class; Basildon Gamester and Basildon Andrew shared the group honours with Clipper King, and the former took a third prize.

The third show and sale this year of pedigree Hereford bulls, arranged by the Hereford Herd Book Society, attracted a large company to Hereford on Tuesday and Wednesday; Messrs. Edwards, Russell, and Baldwin sold the exhibits on the latter day, about £5,447 being obtained from buyers. At the judging on Tuesday, Mr. G. H. Watkins's Resolute Heir (a grandson of the famous sire Resolute), a massive yearling, and full of quality, led a strong class, and won championship honours, as well as the Society's silver medal; Mr. T. L. Walker was its buyer at the auction for 100 guineas. The reserve champion was Mr. D. J. Thomas's Keynote, a son of Mansel Sunstar, a well-known winner at one or two leading shows in recent years. A bull, which caused spirited competition before going at 125 guineas to Messrs. Weston and Sons, was Mr. C. H. Morris's Weston Laborious; this yearling was placed third in its class to the champion, and realized the top price of the sale. Other prices included 95 guineas for Mr. D. E. Neale's Nant Fawr Emblem, and various figures between 50 and 85 guineas.

RED POLLS

At Marsh Court, Caundle Marsh, Sherborne, Dorset, on Wednesday, Messrs. Senior and Godwin offered Mrs. Lionel Lambart's live and dead farm stock; the former included the herd of pedigree Red Poll cattle, and one or two of the females were well competed for. An outstanding young cow, Caundle Mauricette, sired by Seven Springs Conjurer, was purchased for 56 guineas by Mr. Williams, of Horfield, Bristol; the same buyer acquired most of the best lots in the ring, paying, among other prices, 41 guineas for Hanley Cream Cracker, a five-year-old cow, and 33 guineas for Caundle Seagull. Caundle Nicolette, nearly seven years old, cost Mr. Budden, Wimborne, Dorset, 39 guineas, while heifer calves made to 16 guineas for Caundle Goldfinch, the new owner being Viscount Folkestone.

Messrs. Morris, Marshall and Poole were engaged at Penstrowed Hall, near Newtown, Mon., on Wednesday, in dispersing the live and dead farm stock of Mr. D. C. Evans. The small herd of pedigree Red Poll cattle realized up to £27 10s., given by Mr. A. Woosnam for Priory Campanula, a seven-year-old cow, sold with her bull calf; £21 was the bid of Mr. T. E. Kinsey for Northwick Ivory, an in-calf cow, and Priory Acacia, seven years old, changed hands at £20. The stock bull, Marsden Marplot, nearly four years old, cost Mr. Ben Alderson £24.

The entire herd of pedigree Kerry cattle, owned by Colonel W. Grant Morden, M.P., was dispersed on Monday at Heath Farm, Iver Heath, Bucks, by Messrs. Buckland and Sons, of Windsor. The herd was founded some years ago by the purchase of cows from the Duke of Leinster's Carton herd. At the auction there was not very much demand, particularly for the younger animals, which sold poorly. Primrose of Heatherden, a five-year-old cow, was one of the few cows and heifers to cause competition, and it was secured at 30 guineas by Normansfield Limited, Teddington, who also paid 28 guineas for Lilac of Heatherden, an eight-year-old cow, with an excellent milk record, and 20 guineas for the three-year-old heifer, Promise of Heatherden; other prices included 24 guineas, given by Colonel Pritchard, a local buyer, for the seven-year-old cow Laburnum of Heatherden, and 23½ guineas, paid for Lovely of Heatherden, another good milking cow.

SHIRE HORSES

Shire horses at the sale held on Wednesday at Peterborough by Messrs. Sexton, Grimwade and Beck realized up to 56 guineas, given by Mr. M. Hubbard, Eaton, Grantham, for Northam Darky, a three-year-old, entered by Mr. W. J. Cumber, Theale, Berkshire. Messrs. C. and M. Barker, Helmsley, Yorkshire, made 51 guineas from Mr. E. D. Cooke, Bourne, Lincolnshire, for their two-year-old colt, Rievaulx Abbott, and the only other transaction worth mentioning was the sale of Grangefields Secundus, the three-year-old son of Sundridge Nulli Secundus, to Mr. E. S. Vines, Standish Park, Gloucestershire, for 45 guineas.

A large number of the animals sold by Messrs. E. G. Hothersall and Sons at their horse sale on Tuesday at Preston went to the bids of buyers from London and the South Coast, and as far North as Glasgow; altogether 171 horses were brought forward; the quality was not so good as usual, and consequently prices were not so high, although the best lots met a good selling trade. The leading price was 66 guineas, given by a purchaser from Mytholmroyd for a four-year-old brown gelding, entered by the executors of W. Gardner. A Glasgow buyer paid 60 guineas for Mr. N. Sanderson's brown gelding, six years old; 48 guineas for a bay horse, 17.1 hands high, the property of Mr. A. Harvey; and 42 guineas and 40 guineas (twice) for other animals. Harness horses and colts realized from 15 guineas to 28 guineas; unbroken two-year-old Shires made up to 32 guineas for geldings, and 29 guineas was the top price for a filly.

Messrs. Richard Pearce and Co. received over 100 entries for their prize horse sale, held at Abergele, North Wales, on Wednesday. A brown gelding, which led the opening class for cart horses, was exhibited by Mr. W. C. Jones and realized the top price of 60 guineas. Among the vanners, the first prize was taken by Mr. Davies, of Llwydgoed Ucha, whose five-year-old bay gelding made 51 guineas. A guinea less was successfully bid for Mr. J. Lloyd's bay gelding, six years old and 17 hands high, and other prices included 49, 48, 45½ (twice), and 40 guineas.

HIGH AVERAGE FOR PIGS

A very level trade was done at the fourth annual sale of pure-bred Middle White pigs from the prize-winning Shawlands herd, conducted at Lingfield, Surrey, on Tuesday, by Messrs. Harry Hobson and Co., and 60 head averaged £20 2s. 3d., which is the second highest average reached this year, while bidding was keen, particularly for the sows and gilts. The interest in the sale was largely due to the remarkable showyard record of the herd, which in the three years, 1927-29, gained 120 awards at the leading shows of the breed. A feature of the catalogue was the batch of 40 served gilts, which attracted attention on account of their exceptional length, fine shoulders, and open heads. The following were the chief prices:—Sows and Gilts: Shawlands Gift, purchased by Mr. G. Anderson, Reigate (Surrey), for 26 guineas; Shawlands Choice Girl 5th, Mr. G. C. Elliott, Shipley (Sussex), 28 guineas; Shawlands Choice Dorothy, Mr. G. H. Rose, of Thakeham (Sussex), 30 guineas; Shawlands Choice Dorothy 3rd, Mr. W. Jones, Capel (Surrey), 25 guineas; Shawlands Trinket 4th, Mr. G. C. Elliott, 30 guineas; Shawlands Glossy, Mrs. Sofer Whitburn, Andover (Hants), 23 guineas; Shawlands Glossy 2nd and Shawlands Choice 23rd, Mr. C. W. Booth, Bracknell, 22 guineas each; Shawlands Lady Gracious 9th, Mr. S. H. Hart, Reading, 29 guineas; Shawlands Gracious 10th, Mr. S. H. Hart, 22 guineas; and Shawlands Choice Gift 20th, Mr. G. C. Elliott, 28 guineas.

Messrs. John Thornton and Co.'s annual sale of pure-bred Berkshire pigs from the Swinton herd of Major Clive Behrens proved very successful on Tuesday, at Swinton Grange, Malton, Yorkshire. In all, 60 head changed hands at the good all-round average of £16 16s., the total being £1,908. Sows and gilts included Swinton Carry Margaret 4th, a served gilt, which created good competition, and was purchased for 35 guineas by Mr. P. E. Prest, a local buyer. Swinton Hetty Margaret 2nd realized 24 guineas to Mr. J. Skinner, a Lincolnshire breeder, and various other pigs registered prices between 20 and 30 guineas.

Under the auspices of the National Pig Breeders' Association, a sale of pure-bred Wessex Saddleback and Berkshire pigs was conducted by Messrs. Harry Hobson and Co. at Reading on Wednesday. The trade was level, and 10 sows and served gilts of the Berkshire breed averaged £15 10s. 9d., the chief price of 20 guineas being given by Canford School, Dorset, for Mr. P. H. Gold's gilt, Foxley Cleopatra, and subsequently also for Mr. John Crowe's Overton Charlie, a 10-months-old boar. Among the Wessex pigs, an average price of £14 was recorded for 18 sows and in-pig gilts, and £12 4s. 1d. for four boars.

Several breeders made entries at the collective sale of pure-bred pigs held by Messrs. W. S. Hall and Palmer at Wymondham on Tuesday, the total sum paid for 138 head, which included numerous pigs but a few months old, being £1,234 11s. There was an excellent demand for Large Blacks, and in this section the first consignment of 15 mated gilts from Mr. Stanley Stimpson's Bixley herd realized £217 13s. and averaged £14 10s., while his nine-month-old boar by Newlius Delius fell to the good bid of 21 guineas. Other pigs of the same breed included eight served gilts entered by Mr. H. J. Spratt; these brought in £142 3s. 6d., showing the highest average price of the sale, £17 15s. 6d. Among the Large Whites a few young boars and gilts from the Silfield herd of Mr. W. S. Hall were well competed for, boars making up to 14 guineas each and gilts to 8½ guineas. Major E. A. H. Groom's Long White Lop-Eared pigs had an average of £12 5s. for his first six gilts, and among Gloucester Old Spots from Mr. A. Cubitt the sow Kimberley Matron changed hands at 14 guineas, and two gilts at 10 and 9½ guineas respectively.

Practically the whole of the Flixton herd of pedigree Large Black pigs, the property of Sir Shafto Adair, came under the hammer of Mr. H. G. Apthorpe at Flixton, Suffolk, on Monday. Sir Edward Mann, the owner of the Thelveton herd, paid the top price of 28 guineas for Flixton Ithica 1st, a 16-month-old gilt of outstanding quality; Mr. A. Myhall, of Tittleshall, took the two-year-old sow Thelveton Pastime 1st for 18½ guineas and the in-pig gilt Flixton Juliana 1st for 21 guineas. Competition was keen for many other pigs and the 36 head of sows and in-pig gilts averaged £17 14s., while the unserved gilts, 30 head in number and very young, made lower figures.

SCIENCE AND ANIMAL BREEDING

CONTROL OF VITAL PROCESSES

PROFESSOR F. A. E. CREW, of the Animal Breeding Research Department, University of Edinburgh, in a paper which he read before the Royal Society of Arts, agreed that agriculturists were somewhat contemptuous of research. They held that nothing but the immediate increasing of the margin in favour of the producer could save the situation. It was for this reason that agriculturists received proposals which in their opinion could have no immediate effect on the producer's margin of profit with but scanty enthusiasm.

Yet it had to be recognized that never in all the history of agriculture in this country had the economics of breeding demanded more careful consideration than now. Advances in knowledge of the principles of breeding, which were the substance of the science of genetics, had been such that to-day the actual value of a particular system of breeding was to be assessed only by one versed in genetical science, and no breeder could afford to neglect developments in this science, for progress in the techuique of breeding would seem to be possible only through the disclosure of relevant knowledge through scientific investigation and through the democratization of this knowledge.

During recent years work in the field of endocrinology had been exceedingly active, and to-day we were in possession of a great body of scientific fact which bore directly upon the problems of live stock breeding. If we examined these problems we found that they referred to the phenomena of growth, fecundity, fertility, lactation, and metabolic rate. It was in respect of those that the good type differed from the bad. Moreover, it was differences in the rate of growth, ultimate body size, the degree of fertility, the duration and intensity of lactation, and in the level of metabolism that distinguished the present-day domestic stock from their wild progenitors. Now it was established beyond all doubt that differences in these characters were directly referable to the action of certain endocrine glands, especially to that of the pituitary.

The future would see a very widespread application of the facts of endocrinology to the problems of animal breeding. That which at present was attained only by the exceedingly slow process of selective breeding would be achieved in each generation by the administration of the appropriate endocrine product prepared by the biochemist.

RURAL INDUSTRIES

PUBLICITY FOR VILLAGE CRAFTSMEN

The Rural Industries Bureau, which was founded in 1921 for the purpose of assisting the development of rural industries by giving information and advice, has issued its report for the year ended September 30, 1929 (price 6d.). The report says:—

"It is common knowledge that the number of craftsmen and proprietors of small country businesses is on the decline, but it is doubtful if it is realized that the rate of decline is so rapid. The question arises whether the work of the bureau is in any way assisting to arrest the decline. The answer could best be given by the craftsmen themselves, but as a rule they are bad correspondents. Nevertheless, several have made reference to substantial improvements in their businesses as a result of advice and assistance given by the bureau.

"It is significant that, on recent occasions, some blacksmiths have actually refused orders passed on to them owing to their inability to cope with the large amount of work on hand. A wood-worker who was invited to send specimens of his work for the bureau exhibit at an agricultural show replied suggesting that someone else might be given a chance as he had sufficient orders to keep him busy for some months ahead.

"Evidence is available that the publicity provided by exhibitions at agricultural shows brings the craftsman into touch with a much wider market than he could find himself. It is patent, too, that, as a result of publicity, he is getting more of the jobbing work which was previously sent to the towns. It is satisfactory also to be able to report a considerable improvement in the manner in which craftsmen are now dealing with inquiries and orders. This is attributable to the educational work carried out by the bureau and by the rural community councils. A few years ago it was more or less a matter of chance whether a reply to an inquiry was received or not, but to-day prompt replies can be relied upon to a great extent. The position regarding delivery has also greatly improved. The fact remains, however, that in the majority of the rural trades which are ancillary to agriculture prosperity will not become general until agriculture again becomes prosperous. Handicraft workers in utility and decorative articles are becoming more numerous, and a revival of interest on the part of the public in their work is becoming more noticeable."

COUNTY EGG-LAYING TRIALS

At its meeting in London next Friday the National Poultry Council will consider an agreement which, if ratified, will result in the county egg-laying trials, which are promoted under the Ministry of Agriculture's scheme, becoming eligible for recognition by the National Poultry Council and for admission of approved birds to the Register of Records issued by the council. Conferences between representatives of the National Poultry Council and of the Ministry of Agriculture have resulted in a tentative agreement which stipulates that county laying trials will be inspected by representatives of the National Poultry Council before they are recognized, and that to qualify for recognition and admission of approved birds to the register counties must become affiliated to the National Poultry Council and pay the same fees as for other trials. Adoption of this agreement by the council will entitle any laying trial promoted under the Ministry's scheme to become recognized on the terms stated.

FARMING AND THE PARTIES

EIGHT POINTS FOR AN AGREED POLICY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—The present crisis in agriculture is receiving widespread attention. There is general agreement that something must be done, but the remedies suggested are vague and clouded by political fog. Another difficulty is the congested state of Parliamentary business.

The situation is pressing. Many of the larger farmers may be able to continue for a few years longer living on their capital or their borrowings, but the existence of the average small farmer or small-holder can be measured not by years but by months, and particularly so in the case of the "ex-Service" holdings. The country has spent and is spending millions in the establishment and maintenance of small-holdings with a view to furnishing a prosperous and contented rural community. Instead of this the results under present conditions are more likely to be bankruptcies and broken hearts. The labourer, when he is employed, earns a mere subsistence wage; his low spending power precludes him from helping to "Keep Britain Busy."

All three parties contain members who realize the state of affairs, men who are willing and anxious to cooperate in finding a remedy. There is a general desire in the country that the present situation should not be exploited by any political party to produce remedial measures which could be used for vote-catching purposes at future elections. May I, as an agriculturist, and one who 15 years ago had to overcome dislikes and prejudices, appeal to the three party leaders to forget their prejudices and appoint a committee from members of all parties? Let the instructions to that committee be that the members are to disregard party leanings and concentrate upon producing a policy to be submitted to Parliament at an early date. Such a decision would reflect honour upon all concerned and would increase the prestige of Parliament. Any such policy must provide for different soils and varieties of farming. It must ensure increased production and a fair return to both farmer and labourer. It must be fair to the consumer and be framed to benefit the trade of this country by increasing the buying power of the agricultural districts. May I, greatly daring, suggest the following eight points as a basis of a non-party measure?

(1) Stabilization of wheat prices. Wheat growing is a question of national high policy. The answer to the objection to a wheat bounty is that the farmers and labourers have provided a bounty for years. The State has not paid it. The country has had the benefit of home-grown wheat at a price that would not provide a fair return to the class that grew it. This burden must be shifted on to broader shoulders.

(2) Any measures necessary to ensure the continuance of the sugar beet industry.

(3) The development of the pig industry to obviate the importation annually of £50,000,000 of pig products. We now breed the right type of pig; the trouble is the wide fluctuation of pig prices. At present we receive 11s. per 14lb. live weight. Not many months ago the price was 6s. 3d. The present price shows a large profit; the other caused serious losses; it was directly responsible for the present shortage. In this country it practically eliminated the small-holders and labourers as pig keepers. This is the most suitable form of livestock for these two classes. Its absence affects both their pockets and their land.

The average price over the fluctuation cycle is in the neighbourhood of 8s. 6d. The assurance that the importation of pig products would be prohibited as long as the price did not exceed some such figure would not only protect the consumer, it would go far to providing another £50,000,000 annually to be spent in this country. In addition, the Pig Council estimate that the production of this amount would find employment for another 78,000 workers.

(4) The development of the fruit and vegetable sections by "seasonal regulation of imports." There are certain seasons in the year, varying according to the different classes of produce, when this country can and does produce ample supplies for its requirements. The throwing on to the markets during these particular periods of additional supplies from abroad does not benefit the consumer; it causes immense waste and congestion on both markets and farms.

(5) Regularize the potato position by "price regulation of imports." Admit imports of foreign potatoes except when the price falls below a certain figure.

(6) Provided these proposals are enforced, increase the minimum rate of agricultural wages. The labourers would have a just claim to a share in the increased prosperity of the industry. Their increased buying power would benefit trade throughout the country.

(7) The publication regularly by broadcast and through the Press of what are fair retail prices to pay for agricultural products under prevailing market conditions.

(8) The abrogation or amendment of any treaties which interfere with the above proposals.

Your obedient servant,
M. C. CLAYTON.

West Walton, Wisbech.

LAND DRAINAGE

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—In the debate on the Second Reading of the Land Drainage Bill in the House of Lords attention was drawn to the dictatorial powers demanded by the Minister of Agriculture. It is hardly necessary to remind your readers that the technical nature of the subject means that the powers asked by the Minister will, in fact, lie with the officials advising him. The powers themselves implicitly include that of levying rates and even the reimposition of rates on agricultural land. It must be admitted, however, that without such powers any measure strictly based on the Report of the Royal Commission on Land Drainage is likely to be largely ineffective. The problem presents a whole field of modern political science in microcosm: bureaucratic coercion versus disorganized individual or local enterprise.

I venture to ask you to give publicity to a suggestion which, I believe, would render some of these obnoxious powers unnecessary, and at the same time provide a solution which Lord De La Warr tells us the Government are seeking to the problem of regularizing State grants for land drainage.

In theory there are two reasons for liability to payment for drainage works: (1) Benefit derived from drainage; and (2) burden contributed to drainage. Till now the law has only recognized the first of these, but few will deny the justice of the second, which the Bill proposes to introduce. The basis of assessment for (1) ought to be the annual value of hereditaments within the area actually to be drained in the lowlands. On the other hand, the basis of assessment for (2) should be merely the acreage within the watershed, including both uplands and lowlands (large towns requiring special treatment). Since the Commission envisaged the formation of Catchment Area Authorities over almost the whole country, would it not be fair to commute (2) to a Treasury contribution? In other words, to limit the payment for drainage works and, therefore, representation on drainage boards to those who are directly interested (the lowlands), and to make the basis of Government assistance the number of acres in an area in respect of which no other payment was forthcoming.

I dare not ask for any more of your space, except to say that I believe that this problem, as well as the many analogous, may best be solved by the application of what can be described as the block grant system.

I am, &c.,
HUGH LUCAS-TOOTH.

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LABOURER'S ALLEGED CONFIDENCE TRICK

At the Norwich Police Court on Saturday, GEORGE RICHARD THOMPSON, 38, labourer, of Princes-street, Attercliffe, Sheffield, was committed for trial on a charge of stealing £100 from Thomas James Herriven, a smallholder, of North Lopham, by means of a trick. It was stated that Thompson met Herriven at Norwich and asked the way. The two walked to Bank-street together, and Thompson talked about horse racing and betting. Another man joined them and gave Thompson money to put on a horse. Thompson induced Herriven to go to a bank and draw £100, which Herriven gave to Thompson, who promised to return him £250.

Mr. Maurice E. Denny has been elected Master of the Shipwrights' Company in succession to the Marquess of Ailsa. Mr. Frank Durrant is the new Master of the Wheelwrights' Company, and Mr. B. Ewart White Master of the Upholders' Company.

THE PROGRESS OF SCIENCE

MUSQUASH PLAGUE IN EUROPE

DEFENCE MEASURES

(FROM OUR SCIENTIFIC CORRESPONDENT)

France, like other countries, is reflecting on the large sums paid for imported furs, and is considering the possibilities of growing fur-bearing animals at home. M. A. Chappellier, of the Institute of Agricultural Research, has studied carefully the Musk rat or Musquash, a hardy and prolific aquatic rodent, the pelts of which are worth 4s. or 5s. each. He pronounces against it with vigour, and recommends in its place the Coypu, another American rodent, equally hardy, nearly as prolific, and with skins worth considerably more, as they form what is called nutria fur in the trade.

The story of the musquash in Central Europe is almost as amazing as that of the rabbit in Australia. In 1905 three females and two males were imported from Alaska and set free on the estate of Prince Colloredo-Mansfield at Dobris, about 25 miles to the south-west of Prague. A little later a few others, probably obtained in Canada, were added to the stock. These animals produce three and sometimes four litters in a year, with from seven to 12 young in each. The first litter may breed the same year. Throughout the summer they remain stationary, but in autumn, probably from pressure of the musquash population increased during the summer, and at the beginning of the breeding season in spring, they are migratory. They move in little groups chiefly at night, often travelling many miles until they find and settle in suitable new quarters. Mountains are a barrier, but they spread readily along streams and rivers, up valleys and along chains of lakes and marshes.

So far as is known no other musquash than the few individuals at Dobris have been liberated in Central Europe. But the army has advanced in a star-shaped pattern until the total population of musquash has been estimated as being a hundred million, and the territory occupied as over 120,000 square miles. The annual rate of advance has varied with the terrain, having been from two to 20 miles a year in Czechoslovakia, 12 miles in Austria, and 30 to 40 miles in Bavaria. The first musquash killed in Vienna was in 1922; in 1923, four; in 1924, 52 were killed, and now the animal has occupied the whole city. By 1914 the frontier of Germany was almost reached; last year Munich, Leipzig, and Nuremberg, Ingolstadt on the Danube, Leimbach and Magdebourg in Saxony, Breslau in Bavaria, and the frontiers of Switzerland have been reached.

DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

Musquash are easily trapped, their flesh is good to eat, and their skins are valuable so that they have some friends, and the Soviet Government has under consideration a plan to establish them in marshy areas at present of little value. They live chiefly on reeds and vegetable refuse, and although they are said to spoil fishing by frightening and scattering the fish, they seem extremely seldom to capture and devour fish. They take large quantities of fresh-water mussels and are stated to have destroyed some of the pearl-mussel fisheries.

On the whole, their direct damage to animal and plant life is insignificant. But there is a serious bill against them from their destruction of property. They are tireless and competent burrowers, making long tunnels to their nests and burrows, the openings of the tunnels being usually under water. Proprietors of lakes, those interested in waterworks, railways, roads, canals, and other means of communication all view its presence with alarm. In the Palatinate, for example, musquash broke through and destroyed the dam of large electrical works; in Thuringia seven subsidences of main roads and seven burstings of reservoirs are due to them; a railway near Leipzig has been interrupted by their work, and at Moritzburg they have done damage amounting to thousands of pounds.

OFFICIAL TRAPPERS

Serious measures have had to be taken against the musquash. In the hope of keeping them out of the Franconian Jura, trained official trappers have been established along the front of invasion, each being given a beat of 30 or 40 miles. Within occupied areas trappers have been attached to the waterworks, and it is part of their duty to teach the natives how to ascertain the presence of the pest. In Saxony over 179 of these officials have been appointed.

In May last year the German Government passed an order forbidding the importation or transit of the species. The Belgian Government has commissioned a naturalist to inquire into the question, although so far no invasion is known to have taken place. In Switzerland, up to the beginning of last year, so far as is known, only four wild musquash have been captured, but in view of the great danger in that country, the Federal Council early last year forbade the keeping of the animal in captivity, the buying or selling of living specimens, or their importation or transport, except in the case of specimens required for scientific purposes.

One very curious observation, however, suggests the possibility of the plague exhausting itself by natural means. There seems to be a decrease in the numbers in regions where the musquash have been established longest. In a locality near Vienna, the numbers taken rose from one in 1917, when the species first appeared, to 70 in 1923, but fell to 16 in 1925. On another property near Kirchberg, three were taken in 1915; the numbers rose to 207 in 1920 and fell to 71 in 1924, although they rose again in 1925. As the whole stock in Europe came from a very few individuals, it may be that inter-breeding is having an effect.

STABLE PRICES

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES

Sir,—English wheat is now selling at 36s. per quarter in country districts. English oats are down to £6 per ton, some foreign oats are even cheaper. Proprietary cattle feeding cakes have fallen £2 per ton since Christmas. Although the consumer benefits, yet, in so far as he is an industrial worker, he loses by the diminished purchasing power of the agricultural community all the world over. The price of most industrial commodities is also steadily falling.

Although there is overproduction of cereals, is not this decline in prices largely due to a world shortage of gold? Certain countries by immobilizing reserves of this metal in excess of their requirements increase the shortage. Can there be any stability of industrial and agricultural prices until there is scientific international control of the principal medium of exchange?

Whereas the purchasing power of money is subject to variations in either direction, the tendency of wages to increase is more or less constant. Wages can, in fact, only be moved downwards at the cost of acute industrial disputes. Hence at the present moment we see widespread unemployment and distress in a world of plenty.

The Government has succeeded in holding an International Conference to discuss the limitation of naval armaments; could it not get together a conference to discuss means for the stabilization of the world's principal medium of exchange?

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TERRITORIALS IN TRAINING

44TH, 47TH, AND 56TH DIVISIONS

REVEILLE IN A SNOWSTORM

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

BORDON, HANTS, APRIL 19

The younger members of the Territorial Force who are training in this area had a trying experience this morning, and the older men had to recall France and the Easter of 1917 to match it. Reveille sounded to an accompaniment of snow, not a flurry of two or three minutes, but a pelting storm of half an hour, that plastered the windscreens of cars and made visibility of any sort almost impossible. Luckily the wind shifted a few points west and turned the snow to sleet, which was not quite so persistent as the snow had been.

Again I have heard in every unit, as I heard yesterday, unstinted praise of the kindness of the Regular troops and their generous assistance with training. Indeed, more than one adjutant—a much-overworked individual usually at Eastertide—has confessed to time hanging on his hands because of the duties taken over by his hosts. Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Marnham's 53rd (London) Medium Brigade, R.A., which is quartered at Longmoor with the 3rd Regular Brigade, has reason to be especially grateful for that assistance, because its detachment consists entirely of the brigade's specialists, to whom batches of instructors have been allotted. Lieutenant-Colonel R. C. Foot's 63rd (6th London) Field Brigade, staying with the 6th Field Brigade, and Lieutenant-Colonel H. J. P. Oakley's 90th (City of London) Field Brigade, with the 7th Field Brigade, both in Bordon Camp, are in much the same case, for although their detachments are strong enough to permit battery training they contain a good proportion of specialists. Neither, I learned, had to seek assistance, but found it already prepared in more than generous measure awaiting their arrival. A London infantry battalion, the 4th City, which has nine officers and 170 other ranks, under Major H. B. A. Balls, in this camp, is luckier perhaps than its gunner comrades. Its hosts are the 2nd Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, whose Commanding Officer is Lieutenant-Colonel E. M. Brighten, the only Regular C.O., I believe, who wears the T.D. ribbon. An officer who himself has commanded Territorial troops has a first-hand knowledge of their needs, so the Fusiliers are really "in clover."

ABSENCE OF LONDON BATTALIONS

ALDERSHOT, APRIL 19

The absence of London infantry battalions in central Aldershot this year is very marked. The 19th and 21st London, whom I mentioned yesterday, are all I can discover this year, whereas in previous years two-thirds of the battalions of the 1st, 2nd, 5th, and 6th Infantry Brigades have entertained visitors from the 56th and 47th Divisions. A handful of men at the R.A.M.C. Depôt and another handful among the R.A.S.C. companies represent the 47th Divisional Medical Units and Train, a further falling away that may or may not be due to enforced economy. Major H. S. Sanderson's 22nd Armoured Car Company, a descendant of the old Westminster Dragoons, is here again; but it has changed its "guest-house" and is staying in Wellington Lines with the 14th/20th Hussars. Although, with the other Territorial A.C. Companies, the Westminster Dragoons are anxiously awaiting Rolls-Royce cars, they not only travelled down in their old Peerless vehicles, but carried out a tactical exercise by the way. As an Eastonian armoured car screen they thrust back an imaginary Westphalian advance guard, which they encountered at Chobham Ridges, and which now lies well south of the Royal Pavilion. To-day cars and troops are employed in Hotchkiss gun practices on Ash Ranges. To-morrow they will resume their role of Eastonians, but on Monday they will become the Westphalian advance guard, and in that capacity will fight their way home, along the less-frequented routes between the Portsmouth-London road and the Thames.

The 92nd Field Artillery Brigade (Lieutenant-Colonel F. A. Williams) was the last of yesterday's arrivals. With the 91st they are enjoying the hospitality of the 4th Light Brigade at Deepcut. Within an hour or so of their arrival they had two batteries at work on Frith Hill. The others took turn to-day, for, guests of a mechanized brigade, they cannot find horses sufficient to turn out all four batteries at once.

WEATHERPROOF HUTS

PIRBRIGHT, SURREY, APRIL 20

The London Irish Rifles have had a detachment of 10 officers and 106 other ranks, under Major J. A. Mulholland, in the Brigade of Guards Camp here since Thursday, and the 23rd London Regiment (The East Surrey) (Lieutenant-Colonel C. C. O. Whiteley) has had about the same number of other ranks and 16 officers, all in the weatherproof huts which replaced the marquees of pre-War years. Both units have been more than thankful for the huts, for they, too, endured the prevailing storms. Musketry and the outdoor training of specialists and machine-gun companies were items of the original programmes of both battalions; but the weather compelled compromises, although the *Daily Telegraph*, Dewar, and Sergeants' Trophy teams, which both units are training for the London District Rifle Meeting next month, did not allow rain or snow to stop their practices. The H.A.C., too, sent their London District teams to the Pirbright butts; but the entire detachment of 12 officers and some 140 other ranks is quartered in the H.A.C. club-house and the N.R.A. huts around it at Bisley, where Lieutenant-Colonel W. A. Stone is in command. The commodious dining-room in the new club-house has proved very useful, for, during spells of stormy weather, it is being used for lecturing purposes.

The Inns of Court O.T.C. have found similar use for their club-house, which adjoins the H.A.C. building, though with 19 officers and about 100 cadets lodged in the club and adjoining N.R.A. hutments, and some 40 chargers lent by the 8th King's Royal Irish Hussars, Lieutenant-Colonel H. D. P. Francis has not missed many opportunities, rain or shine, for outdoor training on Pirbright Common.

The N.R.A. huts at Bisley have been filled practically all through the holidays, for two Home Counties battalions, a cadet company of the Royal Fusiliers, and cadets of St. Albans School O.T.C. Contingent have been in occupation since last Thursday. The battalions are the 5th East Surrey Regiment (Major W. H. Hatchard-Smith), with 15 officers and 80 other ranks, and the 6th East Surrey Regiment (Lieutenant-Colonel T. MacD. Baker), with 15 officers and 150 other ranks. Classes for specialists, lectures, and M.G. training under cover filled in the wetter periods of Friday and Saturday, but to-day both have been firing classification practices on the Century and Siberia ranges.

The St. Albans Cadets have concentrated on Ashburton Shield work, but the Cadet Company has not. Some 120 strong, commanded by Major M. Karo, it represents the Stock Exchange Company, 1st Cadet Battalion, The Royal Fusiliers, and its Easter training suggests the jollity of the Duke of Gloucester's Camp by Romney Marshes rather than the sternly militaristic practices laid to the charge of the Cadet Corps by the present Government. There has been a certain amount of drill by a voluntary instructor from the Coldstream Guards, but there have been also fife and drum practice under another voluntary instructor from The Buffs, and much cricket, football, boxing, physical training under the supervision of an instructor, also voluntary, from the A.P.T. Staff, not to mention a fine concert in the N.R.A. pavilion.

I could not possibly be with every unit during the bad weather in a tour of three days, but I can testify that from the H.A.C. to the Cadet Company, whenever I saw them, officers and men and boys alike were accepting adverse weather conditions with a joke and a smile and making the best of a bad job.

The troops in the area I have traversed will begin to return to London on Monday at 2.5 p.m., when the 91st and 92nd Field Brigades, R.A., will entrain at Brookwood. Smaller detachments will travel by ordinary trains from Bordon, Aldershot, and Brookwood, and the last special train will leave Brookwood at 6.10 p.m., carrying the H.A.C. and the London Irish Rifles.

The Government of DANZIG has accepted Herr Kreuger's proposal for a match monopoly in Danzig, by which the State is to obtain a loan of $1,000,000 (£200,000), and Herr Kreuger is to pay 1,000,000 Danziger gulden (£40,000) to indemnify the Danziger match industry.

NAVAL, MILITARY, AND AIR FORCE

NEW FOURTH SEA LORD

Vice-Admiral Vernon H. S. Haggard, C.B., C.M.G., will relinquish to-day the post of Fourth Sea Lord and Chief of Supplies and Transport. He has been appointed Commander-in-Chief, America and West Indies Station, and will formally hoist his flag in the PRESIDENT, drillship at Blackfriars, this morning and strike it at sunset. He will then be regarded as on leave of absence until he proceeds to take up his command at Bermuda about May 5. Rear-Admiral Lionel G. Preston, C.B., who commanded the Third Cruiser Squadron in the Mediterranean in 1926-28, is to succeed him at the Admiralty as from to-day. Paymaster Commander E. H. Stern, who has been Secretary to the Fourth Sea Lord since March, 1928, is accompanying Vice-Admiral Haggard to Bermuda, and will be succeeded by Paymaster Lieutenant-Commander H. K. Totton, from the BARHAM, who was Secretary to Rear-Admiral Preston on board the CARDIFF in the Third Cruiser Squadron.

AFRICA STATION SLOOPS

H.M.S. DAFFODIL, Commander A. G. B. Wilson, D.S.O., which is carrying out the duties of Senior Officer's ship on the West Coast of Africa, is due to arrive to-day at Lagos, and to remain for a week. Her prospective movements for the next few weeks are:—Duala, April 30-May 4; Loanda, May 8-12; Elephant Bay, May 13-20; Mossamedes, May 21-25; and Lobito, May 26-June 5. Here the DAFFODIL will transfer the duties of Senior Officer's ship to the DELPHINIUM, Commander C. E. S. Farrant, which is due to leave East London to-day for Lourenço Marques, Durban, and Simonstown, and after a few days at this base will leave for her West Coast cruise. The DAFFODIL will go down to Simonstown by June 11 for rest and refit.

COMMAND OF THE WHITEHALL

Commander W. P. Stocker, D.S.C., who has been relieved by Commander A. C. G. Madden in the Tactical Division, Naval Staff, is due to take command as from to-day of the WHITEHALL, in the Fourth Destroyer Flotilla, Mediterranean Fleet. Commander Stocker was awarded the D.S.C. for services in the GALATEA and CARDIFF, flagships of Admiral Alexander-Sinclair, in the Grand Fleet. In the GALATEA he was present at Jutland, and in the CARDIFF he served as torpedo officer after qualifying in the VERNON. Earlier in the War he was a watch-keeping officer in the cruisers ROYAL ARTHUR and DRAKE. His promotion to commander in June, 1927, followed a commission as first and torpedo lieutenant-commander of the WARSPITE, Mediterranean flagship.

A DOCKYARD HOLIDAY

Under the concession made by the Government of a week's holiday on full pay to all Dockyard employees, to be taken in the week beginning August 4, during which the yards will be closed, it was decided that Easter Monday is to be a dockyard holiday in future, in place of the August Bank Holiday included in the "closed" week. The home dockyards will therefore be closed to-day.

ROYAL MARINE BANDS

Major Percival Owen, Superintendent of the Royal Naval School of Music, at the Royal Marine Barracks, Eastney, states in his annual report that during the past year 44 bands from the School were serving afloat. The average strength of the band boys at the School was 277, and 74 boys are at present embarked. In a few respects it has been found that the bands were a little out of date. They had to meet a certain amount of competition from outside. More saxophones had been introduced, in addition to a trained pianist and a trained drummer, important additions for dance bands. The reputation of the School's bands has never been higher than at present. During the past year Bandmaster Upstall, of the cruiser SHROPSHIRE, had been congratulated by Sir Edward Elgar for his adaptation of one of Sir Edward's songs to a ship's march. So keen is the competition for promotion afloat that some of the men pay out of their own pockets for music lessons by correspondence from musicians ashore.

NEW ALLOWANCE REGULATIONS

A revised edition of the Regulations for the Allowances of the Army has been approved and copies of the book are being circulated to units. A large number of Army Orders ranging in date from 1919 to 1930 are cancelled in consequence. A new grouping of the different ranks for the various rates has been made, and revised scales for fuel, light, and forage are included. In future no stoppages of recruits' kit allowance will be made in respect of absence without leave or of imprisonment.

ARMY PROMOTIONS

Major H. E. Lane, Royal Artillery, has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, with effect from April 23, and will command the Headquarters and District Establishment, Royal Artillery, India.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. E. Schofield, O.B.E., Royal Army Veterinary Corps, has been promoted to the rank of Colonel, and Major W. H. Walker, D.S.O., O.B.E., to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel, with effect from April 15.

INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHY

The announcement that Rear-Admiral A. T. Long, U.S.N., has been appointed by President Hoover to succeed the late Rear-Admiral A. P. Niblack, U.S.N., as a director of the International Hydrographic Bureau at Monaco is liable to misconception. The three directors of this organization are selected by ballot among the countries participating in its work, and the ballot is to take place shortly. Admiral Long has been selected as the American candidate, in the same way that Captain J. D. Nares, D.S.O., R.N., has been chosen by the British Government to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Admiral Niblack. The other two directors at present come from France and Italy. It is understood that there are candidates from other countries. The officer elected has to obtain a majority of votes over all others, for which purpose a second ballot is held if necessary.

Captain Nares, now Assistant Hydrographer of the Royal Navy, has the advantage over an officer whose career has been spent in the general service that he has had a life experience of hydrographic surveying. He was Superintendent of Charts during part of the late War. When it was decided to hold an international conference of hydrographers in 1919 it was at the special suggestion of the French Hydrographer that London was chosen as being the most suitable place, and from this meeting the Bureau at Monaco dates its origin. Its first directors were Vice-Admiral Sir John Parry (Great Britain), Captain Phaff (Netherlands), and Captain Müller (Norway). It would be entirely appropriate, in view of all that Great Britain has done for hydrography and for the good of all seafarers, that she should again be represented by a director at Monaco, and no more fitting officer for such a post could have been chosen than Captain Nares, who is himself the son of Admiral Sir George Nares, the Arctic explorer.

A HOSTEL FOR TRAMPS

Moor Place Hostel, an old-world house standing amid green fields near the hamlet of Stanford-le-Hope, Essex, was opened last week by Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck as a hostel for tramps. It has been acquired for this purpose by the Wayfarers' Benevolent Association and is the second hostel of its kind to be opened by the association. Tramps and "down and outs" anxious to find work will be recruited from the casual wards, and will be invited to stay in the hostel. There they will remain for six weeks or two months while they are instructed in farming and gardening, and at the end of this time attempts will be made to find them permanent work. Some of them will be given the chance of going out to Canada to farms. LORD HENRY CAVENDISH-BENTINCK said there was every reason to believe that 70 per cent. of the young people who took to the roads to-day did so in a genuine desire to find work. "If they had drifted and become demoralized," he said, "it is due to the thoroughly wrong and vicious system to which they are subjected. We treat our prisoners better than we treat our casuals."

ALLEGED ILLEGAL IMPORTS

At the Westminster Police Court on Thursday, NATHAN COHN, 68, tailor, described as a Rumanian subject, with no fixed abode, was charged with importing prohibited goods into the United Kingdom on December 4, 1928. The goods were 239 bundles of osprey feathers, valued at £2,390. A further charge was for being concerned in a fraudulent evasion of the Customs duty on 210 pairs of silk stockings and small quantities of tobacco, cigarettes, and perfume. It was understood that the goods have been at Victoria Station ever since they were left there in December, 1928. After they had been there a few days Cohn applied to have them cleared, but on being asked to show the contents of the package, he said he had not got the key with him, and went away again. An application to clear the goods had since been made by letter from Paris. Mr. GILL remanded the defendant on bail.

RIFLE SHOOTING

A "CENTURY" IN A STORM

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

N.R.A. CAMP, BISLEY, APRIL 20

Storms of wind and rain yesterday ruined what otherwise should have been a successful Eastertide of serious shooting. Every club had arranged matches and engaged sufficient targets for large entries, and St. Albans School and Old Boys were contemplating a full day on the ranges; but, although early morning snow did not affect conditions, rain which merely varied in intensity did, and many who came to shoot did not even unpack their gear.

In spite, however, of the poorest visibility, an erratic northerly wind, intense cold, and unceasing rain, the City Rifle Club's match, at 300, 500, and 600 yards, was won by Mr. G. F. Booth with 100 points out of 105, a score which, in all the circumstances, should rank higher than any "possible" registered next July. Captain E. H. Robinson, the R.F.C. gold medallist, came next with 98 made in a North London First Stage Competition. Two or three totals of 97 and 96 were registered; but after those the drop was steep and marksmen of the calibre of D. H. Steers and J. R. Venning brought in figures that belonged to their tiro days. The North London Club's annual team match with Bristol City was carried through. The match was shot under King's First Stage conditions and the North Londoners won, but a match average of 90.18 conveys a very fair notion of Saturday's weather.

Portsmouth, for the second successive year, wins the S.M.R.C. Provincial Cities and Boroughs Competition, and wins with a score better by six points than its figures of last year. Edinburgh and Croydon, whose teams headed the first stage list, lost their form completely in the second stage and dropped over two points per rifle below their earlier figures.

The Admiralty Rifle Club has won the championship of the London County Smallbore League and with it the Westminster Shield of the First Division. Two police successes occurred in the lower divisions, H Division winning the West London Cup and the Hampstead Police heading the Fifth Division. As A Division Metropolitan Police stands at the head of Central Section No. 2 of the Shoulder-to-Shoulder League the London Police might well consider the idea of establishing an association with a view to future matches with provincial constabulary.

Current results of N.R.A. and S.M.R.C. matches are as follows:—

BISLEY MATCHES

CITY R.C. (300, 500, and 600 yards; h.p.s., 105 points).—1, G. F. Booth (34, 34, 32), 100; 2, E. Grimwade, 96; 3, G. W. Downs, B.M., 94; 4, C. Seward, 94; 5, A. C. Bolton, 93; 6, W. C. Young, 92.

NORTH LONDON R.C. v. CITY OF BRISTOL R.C.

1. NORTH LONDON—	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Total
E. H. Robinson, G.M.	34	32	30	96
H. E. Keen	32	32	31	95
H. G. Burr, G.M.	33	33	29	95
W. L. S. Alton	31	33	30	94
A. H. Gillman	32	32	30	94
D. S. Swanston	32	32	29	93
S. E. Johnson	29	31	30	90
H. T. Griggs	31	31	28	90
J. R. Venning	30	30	29	89
D. H. Steers	30	30	29	89
	314	316	295	925
2. CITY OF BRISTOL—				
L. Flower	33	30	33	96
E. A. Beer	30	33	32	95
W. H. Grater	31	32	31	94
F. J. Downs	27	33	32	92
C. Binding	31	32	29	92
G. W. Humphreys	30	31	30	91
T. Vezey	35	30	26	91
E. J. Lessimore	23	33	33	89
T. Buckingham	30	31	26	87
C. H. Mallings	29	31	25	85
	299	316	297	912

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX R.A. (First Stage).—1, E. Grimwade, 97; 2, R. T. Parr, 97; 3, F. Stanton-Barnes, 96; 4, G. F. Booth, 95; 5, A. C. Bolton, 95; 6, W. G. Candy, 92.

SOUTH LONDON R.C. (First Stage).—1, R. T. Parr, 97; 2, F. Stanton-Barnes, 96; 3, H. D. Ebbutt, 94; 4, W. G. Candy, 92; 5, F. Guilding, 89.

S.M.R.C. COMPETITIONS

PROVINCIAL CITIES AND BOROUGHS COMPETITION (teams of 10; h.p.s. 4,000 points).—Final.—1 Portsmouth (holders), 3,924; 2, Bristol, 3,922; 3, Brighton, 3,919; 4, Sheffield, 3,911; 5, Edinburgh, 3,904; 6, Aberdeen, 3,902; 7, Plymouth, 3,901; 8, Croydon, 3,895; 9, Grimsby and Liverpool, tied, 3,883; 11, Birmingham, 3,878; 12, Derby, 3,876; 13, Exeter, 3,872; 14, Ealing, 3,871; 15, Bournemouth, 3,864; 16, Dover, 3,862; 17, Colchester, 3,860; 18, Glasgow, 3,852; 19, Ipswich, 3,847; 20, Windsor, 3,855; 21, Maidstone, 3,844; 22, Norwich, 3,832; 23, Monmouth, 3,827; 24, Stafford, 3,822; 25, Bury St. Edmunds, 3,821; 26, Wallasey, 3,820; 27, Hull, 3,817; 28, Deal, 3,795; 29, Hertford, 3,781; 30, Southend, 3,619.

SHOULDER-TO-SHOULDER LEAGUE (Divisional Winners).—Central Sec. 1.—1, Crouch End Volunteers, 4,644. Central Sec. 2.—1, A Div., Met. Police, 3,501. South-East.—1, Lee, 2,317. South-West.—1, Wimbledon Park, 2,370. West.—1, Brentham, 2,358.

LONDON RIFLE BRIGADE AT COLCHESTER

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

COLCHESTER, APRIL 20

The 5th City of London Regiment (The London Rifle Brigade) and the 12th London Regiment (The Rangers) have been training during the Easter holidays with the 2nd Battalion, The Rifle Brigade at the Hyderabad Barracks, Colchester.

This is the seventh year in succession in which the London Territorials have spent Easter in training with the 2nd Battalion, The Rifle Brigade, either at Aldershot or at Colchester, and the yearly meeting of old friends and comrades is very popular. Excellent accommodation was provided in barracks for the visitors, liberal leave having been granted the Regulars to make this possible. In the temporary absence of the latter, barrack and other duties were undertaken by the Territorials under the direction of skilled instructors and specialists.

In spite of the unfavourable weather much useful work was carried out. Like the Regulars, who are to take part in the Army Football Cup Final, at Aldershot, to-morrow, the Territorials are good sportsmen, and they played the Colchester Club in a Rugby match during the week-end. The Artillery contingent of the Cambridge University O.T.C., numbering about 40, have been undergoing a course of instruction with the 17th Field Brigade, Royal Artillery, at Colchester.

P.O. CLERKS' FEDERATION AND WORKERS' UNION

PROPOSED AMALGAMATION

(FROM OUR CIVIL SERVICE CORRESPONDENT)

The negotiations which have been proceeding for some months past for the merging of the Union of Post Office Workers and the National Federation of Postal and Telegraph Clerks have resulted in agreement on a number of points as a basis for further negotiations. In a joint statement signed by representatives of the two bodies the negotiators declare that their aim is to discover how the two organizations, now independent, can be fused into one. It has now been agreed that for the purpose of dealing with the special and domestic problems of the main grades in London three sectional councils and a London District council shall be set up, and each sectional council shall have power to hold an annual general meeting of members.

At the annual conference provision is to be made for the holding of two sectional conferences, one for indoor and one for outdoor members, to deal with problems peculiar to their distinctive sections. Decisions of these sectional conferences are to become operative, subject to report to the main conference for ratification. Each grade will discuss and formulate its own wages policy, subject to ratification by the main conference. The executive council of the combined body would have control of all general problems, appropriate committees being established to advise the executive council on all matters peculiar to each grade. Another point of agreement is that non-subscribers to any political fund would be under no disabilities whatsoever as compared with subscribers.

These proposals are obviously designed to protect the sectional interests of the higher-paid grades—i.e., the sorters and telegraphists, of whom the membership of the federation consists. Approximately half of these grades left the union some 10 years ago, partly because they considered that proper opportunity was not provided by the union machinery for the protection of their distinctive interests.

MOTOR LIFE-BOAT FOR INDIA

The Royal National Life-boat Institution have completed the inspection of a motor life-boat which has been built by Messrs. J. Samuel White and Co., of Cowes, for the Bombay Port Trust. This boat is 45ft. 6in. by 12ft. 6in., with eight water-tight compartments and 142 air-cases. She has twin screws, and two 40 h.p. engines, giving her a speed of 8½ knots, and she will carry enough petrol to be able to travel 150 miles. The only difference from the standard type will be that the Bombay boat will be provided with an awning, and in order to allow for this, she has been built with a taller funnel. She will be shipped in a steamer to Bombay, where she will be used for pilot service, and at the same time will be available for life-saving.

Mails and Shipping

OUTWARD MAILS

TO-MORROW'S DISPATCHES

Mails will be dispatched from London to the destinations shown.

The times given are the latest hours for posting at the General Post Office, King Edward-street, London, E.C.1. In some of the district offices collections will be closed earlier.

NOON.—To China (all parts)*, Japan*.
5.30 P.M.—To Canada (all parts) (Mag. Post), Newfoundland (Mag. Post).
6 P.M.—To China (all parts)*, Egypt, Palestine and Syria, Straits Settlements*, West Coast of Africa (French Equatorial Africa (Gabon), French Senegal and Sudan).
8 P.M.—To Brazil (Ceara, Maranhao, Para and Manaos), Peru (Iquitos), West Indies (Barbados and St. Lucia).

FULL LIST OF DISPATCHES

In the following table are shown the main oversea mails, other than daily, including those set out above, to be dispatched shortly from London:—

Destination	Posting at G.P.O. London	
ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA (exc. North), CHILE (exc. North), PARAGUAY AND URUGUAY:—		
Ital. pkt. (Giulio Cesare)		
B. Star (Avelona Star)	Apl. 23	6 p.m.
B. Star† (Avelona Star)	Apl. 24	7.30 a.m.
R.M.S.P. (Almanzora)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
R.M.S.P.† (Almanzora)	Apl. 24	8 p.m.
Houlder (Hardwicke Grange)	Apl. 25	6 p.m.
ASCENSION AND ST. HELENA: U.-Castle (Garth Castle)	Apl. 26	7.30 a.m.
AUSTRALIA: P. & O. (Ranpura and Moldavia)	May 1	7.30 a.m.
Orient (Orvieto)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
AUSTRALIA (Adelaide, &c.) AND ALL EASTERN STATE CITIES: Air Mails‡	May 1	6 p.m.
BAHAMAS, BERMUDA, BOLIVIA (N.), PERU (exc. Iquitos): Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
BRAZIL (Ceara, &c.): Booth (Denis)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
(Rio, Santos): Ital. pkt. (Giulio Cesare)	Apl. 22	8 p.m.
(Rio, Santos): B. Star (Avelona Star)	Apl. 23	6 p.m.
(Rio, Santos): B. Star† (Avelona Star)	Apl. 24	7.30 a.m.
(all parts): R.M.S.P. (Almanzora)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
(all parts): R.M.S.P.† (Almanzora)	Apl. 24	8 p.m.
(Rio, Santos): R.M.S.P.†† (Darro)	Apl. 25	6 p.m.
CANADA (exc. Quebec City, &c.): Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 25	8 p.m.
(exc. Quebec City, &c.): Via N.Y. (Aquitania)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
(Quebec City, &c.): Direct (Emp. of Scotland)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
(Quebec City, &c.): Direct (Duchess of Bedford)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
(Quebec City, &c.): Via N.Y.† (Aquitania)	Apl. 25	6 p.m.
(Mag. Post) (all parts): Direct (Emp. of Scotland)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
(Mag. Post) (all parts): Direct (Duchess of Bedford)	Apl. 22	5.30 p.m.
CANARY ISLANDS (Las Palmas): Via Madrid and Cadiz	Apl. 25	5.30 p.m.
(all parts): E.D. (Bassa)	Apl. 23	7.30 a.m.
CAPE VERD IS.: B. Star (Avelona Star)	Apl. 24	7.30 a.m.
CENTRAL AMERICA (B. Honduras, Guatemala, Honduras Republic, Nicaragua, Panama, Salvador), CUBA AND MEXICO: Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 24	7.30 a.m.
CEYLON: P. & O. (Ranpura and Moldavia)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
Orient (Orvieto)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
CHINA (all parts): Via Siberia*	May 1	6 p.m.
(all parts): Holt (Demodocus)	Daily	Noon
(Hong-kong, S. China): Via Suez and Bombay (Ranpura)	Apl. 22	6 p.m.
(all parts): Via Vancouver (Duchess of Bedford and Emp. of Russia)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
(all parts): Via Vancouver† (Aquitania and Emp. of Russia)	Apl. 25	6 p.m.
COLOMBIA, CHILE (N.): Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
COSTA RICA: Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Aquitania)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
DUTCH EAST INDIES: Du. pkt. (Balaeran)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
P. & O. (Ranpura)	Apl. 23	6 p.m.
EAST AFRICA (Kenya, Uganda, Zanzibar and Tanganyika): Fr. pkt. (Gen. Voyron)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
P. & O. (Ranpura)	Apl. 23	6 p.m.
EQUADOR: Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
EGYPT, CYPRUS, SUDAN, PALESTINE, &c.: P. & O. (Ranpura)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
EGYPT, SUDAN, PALESTINE, &c.: Air Mails§	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
EGYPT, PALESTINE AND SYRIA: Ital. pkt. (Ausonia)	Apl. 26	6 a.m.
EGYPT (exc. Port Said) AND SUDAN: Ital pkt. (Helouan)	Apl. 22	6 p.m.
EGYPT (exc. Port Said): Ital. pkt. (Helouan)	Apl. 23	9 a.m.
FALKLAND IS.: Via M'video (Avelona Star)	Apl. 23	6 p.m.
FIJI: Via 'Frisco (Homeric and Ventura)	Apl. 24	9 a.m.
GUIANAS (Fr. and Du.): Harrison (Ingoma)	Apl. 24	7.30 a.m.
GUIANAS (Br., Fr. and Du.): Ger. pkt. (Orinoco)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
GUIANA (Br.): Booker (Amakura)	Apl. 25	7.30 a.m.
INDIA, ADEN, PERSIA (exc. Abadan, Bushire and Mohammerah) AND SEYCHELLES): P. & O. (Ranpura)	Apl. 23	8 p.m.
INDIA, IRAQ, PERSIA AND PERSIAN GULF: Air Mails§	Apl. 25	8 p.m.
IRAQ, PERSIA (Abadan, Bushire and Mohammerah): P. & O. (Ranpura)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
JAMAICA: Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 26	6 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Aquitania)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
JAPAN: Via Siberia*	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
Via Vancouver (Duchess of Bedford and Emp. of Russia)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
Via Vancouver† (Aquitania and Emp. of Russia)	Daily	Noon
MADEIRA: U.-Castle (Arundel Castle)	Apl. 25	3 p.m.
MAURITIUS AND MADAGASCAR: Fr. pkt. (Gen. Voyron)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
NEWFOUNDLAND: Via Canada (Emp. of Scotland)	Apl. 25	11.30a.m
(Mag. Post): Via Canada (Emp. of Scotland)	Apl. 23	6 p.m.
NEW ZEALAND: Via Suez (Ranpura and Moldavia)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
Via Panama* (Tainui)	Apl. 22	5.30 p.m.
NEW ZEALAND: Air Mail	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
PERU (Iquitos): Booth (Denis)	Apl. 26	7.30 a.m.
R.M.S.P. (Almanzora)	Apl. 22	8 p.m.
R.M.S.P.† (Almanzora)	Apl. 24	8 p.m.
PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA: U.-Castle (Arundel Castle)	Apl. 25	6 p.m.
SAMOA: Via 'Frisco (Homeric and Ventura)	Apl. 25	11.30 a.m.
SOUTH AFRICA (Port Elizabeth, East London, Durban, &c.): Air Mails*‡	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST AFRICA (Union Provinces, Rhodesia, Nyasaland, Bechuanaland, &c.): U.-Castle (Arundel Castle)	Apl. 25	11.30a.m.
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS: Holt* (Demodocus)	Apl. 25	11.30a.m
STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, SIAM, FRENCH INDO-CHINA, NORTH BORNEO, &c.: P. & O. (Ranpura)	Apl. 22	6 p.m.
UNITED STATES: W. Star (Homeric)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
Fr. pkt.* (Paris)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
Cunard (Aquitania)	Apl. 23	Noon
VENEZUELA: Ger. pkt. (Orinoco)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
Via N.Y. (Aquitania)	Apl. 23	8 p.m.
WEST COAST OF AFRICA: Belgian Congo (exc. Katanga) and French Middle Congo: Bel. pkt. (Anversville)	Apl. 26	2 a.m.
Fr. Equatorial Africa (Gabon), Fr. Senegal, Sudan: Fr. pkt. (Kerguelen)	Apl. 29	6 p.m.
Fr. pkt. (Foucauld)		
Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gold Coast, Nigeria, Dahomey, Br. Togoland, Br. and Fr. Cameroons: E.D. (Accra)	Apl. 22	6 p.m.
	Apl. 26	6 p.m.
Fernando Po and Sp. Guinea: Ger. pkt. (Wahehe)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
Sierra Leone and Liberia: E.D. (Bassa)	May 6	8 p.m.
Fr. Togoland and Dahomey: Holt (J. C. Holt)	Apl. 24	7.30 a.m.
Fr. Guinea: Fr. pkt. (Foucauld)	Apl. 24	6 p.m.
WEST INDIES (Leeward): Via N.Y. (Homeric)	Apl. 26	6 p.m.
(Barbados, &c.): Leyland (Mercian)	Apl. 23	2 a.m.
(Barbados, &c.): Harrison (Ingoma)	Apl. 22	8 p.m.
(Trinidad, &c.): Ger. pkt. (Orinoco)	Apl. 25	7.30 a.m.
(Trinidad, &c.): Harrison (Ingoma)	Apl. 23	8 p.m.
	Apl. 25	7.30 a.m.

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.. Persia and India (Karachi)	5d.	..
.. Delhi	7d.	..

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DISPATCHES OF PARCEL MAILS

Parcel mails will be dispatched to the destinations shown, the times given being the hours for posting at the General Post Office. TO-MORROW, 9 A.M.—To Canada, China (via Canada), China (via U.S.A.), Colombia (exc. Pacific Coast), Dutch West Indies, Ecuador (via U.S.A.), Japan (via Canada), Japan (via U.S.A.), Panama Canal Zone (via U.S.A.), Peru (exc. Dept. of Loreto) (via U.S.A.), United States, Venezuela, West Indies (exc. Grenada, St. Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago). 11 A.M.—To Brazil (Para and Manaos), Canary Islands, French Cameroons, Liberia, Peru (Dept. of Loreto). 1.15 P.M.—To Egypt, Palestine, Sudan and Syria (via France), Iraq and Persia (via France and Desert Motor Service). 6 P.M.—To Argentine and Paraguay, Brazil (Porto Alegre, Rio, Santos and Sao Paulo), Chile (exc. Magallanes) (via Argentine), Falkland Islands and S. Georgia (via Monte Video), Uruguay.

INWARD MAILS DUE

Letter mails are expected from the following countries and will probably be delivered in London as shown:—TO-DAY.—China and Japan, via Siberia. Australia and Ceylon, by ss. Orford. Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika, by ss. Ville de Strasbourg. Canada, Japan, and Hong-kong, by ss. Metagama. TO-MORROW.—U.S.A., Mexico and Central America, by ss. Ausonia. Canada, by ss. Letitia. South Africa and Madeira, by ss. Walmer Castle. U.S.A., Canada, and Bermuda, by ss. Aquitania.

LINERS EXPECTED

The following table shows the approximate times at which, according to the latest information available, incoming liners are expected at home ports:—

TO-DAY

BARRABOOL (P. & O.), from Brisbane; London, 8 a.m.
CEDRIC (W. Star), from New York; Liverpool, 1 p.m.
CITY OF MANCHESTER (Ellerman), from Calcutta; Glasgow.
HATIPARA (B.I.), from Bombay; London, a.m.
METAGAMA (C.P.R.), from St. John, N.B.; London, 8 a.m.
MINNEWASKA (A.T.L.), from New York; London.
NESTOR (B. Funnel), from Australia; London, a.m.
NEWFOUNDLAND (Furness), from St. John's; Liverpool, 4 a.m.
WALMER CASTLE (U.-Castle), from South Africa; Southampton, 6 a.m.

TO-MORROW

AQUITANIA (Cunard), from New York; Southampton.
ORFORD (Orient), from Australia; Southampton. Due London, Wednesday.

FORTHCOMING SAILINGS

Particulars of forthcoming sailings of liners from this country will be found in the companies' announcements on page 2.

MOVEMENTS OF LINERS

(FROM OWNERS AND LLOYD'S)

AFRICAN
Abinsi .. For L'pool, left Sierra Leone 16th.
Barracoo .. For U.K., left Cotonou 16th.
Cochrane .. Fm. St. John, arr. Beira 18th.

AMERICA-LEVANT LINE
Bactria .. For Sicily, left Patras 16th.
River Hudson .. Fm. Haifa, arr. Beyrouth 18th.
River Orontes .. For Newport N., left Havana 18th.

ATLANTIC TRANSPORT
Minnekahda .. For N.Y., left Gravesend 19th.

BIBBY
Yorkshire .. Fm. Rangoon, arr. Suez 19th.

BLUE FUNNEL
Cyclops .. For Japan, left Hong-kong 15th.
Eurybates .. Fm. Java, arr. Suez 17th.
Menestheus .. Fm. Japan, arr. Suez 16th.
Patroclus .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Taku Bar 14th.
Peisander .. Fm. Amsterdam, arr. Pt. Said 16th.
Sarpedon .. For Ldn., left Hong-kong 15th.
Stentor .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Batavia 16th.

BLUE STAR
Andalucia Star .. For B. Aires, cld. St. Vincent 18th.
Avila Star .. Fm. B. Aires, arr. Madeira 19th.

BOOTH
Boniface .. For N.Y., left Para 16th.
Hubert .. Fm. Para, arr. Lisbon 18th.
Polycarp .. For Manaos, left Iquitos 15th.
Stephen .. For Manaos, left Lisbon 18th.

BRITISH AND AFRICAN
Badagry .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Sapele 17th.
Dagomba .. Fm. Sierra Leone, arr. A'mouth 18th.
Dixcove .. For Calabar, left Duala 16th.
Gambia .. For Con., left Sierra Leone 15th.
Salaga .. For Cont., left Grand Bassam 16th.

BULLARD, KING
Umvoti .. Fm. Beira, arr. Dover 19th.

CANADIAN PACIFIC
Duchess of Bedford Fm. St. John, arr. L'pool 19th.
Duchess of Richmond .. Left L'pool 17th.
Duchess of York .. Left St. John 18th.
Emp. of Asia .. Fm. V'couver, arr. Hong-kong 17th.
Emp. of Australia .. Cruise, arr. N.Y. 17th.
Emp. of Canada .. Left V'couver 17th.
Emp. of France .. Fm. Monaco, arr. Sthmtn. 18th.
Melita .. Left St. John 17th.
Minnedosa .. For Montreal, left Clyde 19th.
Montclare .. For Montreal, left Cherbourg 18th.
Montrose .. Fm. Antwerp, due St. John 21st.
Princess Elizabeth Fm. Clyde, arr. Colon 19th.

COMPAGNIE GENERALE
Arkansas .. Fm. V'couver, arr. Panama 18th.
Georgie .. Fm. Dunkirk, arr. Colon 19th.
Ile de France .. For Havre, left N.Y. 19th.
Mississipi .. Fm. Corral, arr. Mersey 19th.
Paris .. For Havre, cld. Plymouth 18th.

CUNARD AND ASSOCIATED LINES
CUNARD
Ascania .. For Montreal, left Sthmtn. 19th.
Carinthia .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Gib. 19th.
Caronia .. Fm. N.Y., arr. L'pool. 20th.
Franconia .. Fm. Rangoon, arr. Kobe 18th.
Laconia .. For N.Y., left L'pool. 19th.
Lancastria .. For N.Y., left Sthmtn. 19th.
Mauretania .. For N.Y., left Sthmtn. 19th.

ANCHOR
Britannia .. Fm. Clyde, arr. Bombay 19th.
Caledonia .. For N.Y., left Moville 19th.
California .. Fm. Glasgow, arr. N.Y. 16th.
Cameronia .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Clyde 18th.
Circassia .. For Clyde, left Aden 19th.
Tarantia .. For Bombay, left L'pool 19th.

ANCHOR-DONALDSON
Athenia .. For Montreal, left L'pool. 19th.
Letitia .. Fm. St. John, arr. Moville 19th.

COMMONWEALTH AND DOMINION
Port Auckland .. For Sydney, left Brisbane 19th.
Port Darwin .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Pt. Said 19th.
Port Hobart .. Fm. Sydney, arr. Pt. Ahuriri 19th.

ELLERMAN AND BUCKNALL
Bloemfontein .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Pt. Said 18th.
City of Carlisle .. Left Calcutta 17th.
City of Harvard .. Fm. Pt. Natal, arr. Ldn. 19th.

ELLERMAN'S CITY AND HALL
City of Adelaide .. For Calcutta, left Suez 17th.
City of Auckland .. Fm. Philadel., arr. Pt. Said 20th.
City of Bedford .. Fm. Calcutta, cld. Aden 18th.
City of Canterbury .. For Ldn., left Calcutta 16th.
City of Cardiff .. For Rangoon, left Bombay 15th.
City of Dunkirk .. For Colombo, left Dar-es-Salaam 16th.
City of Evansville For Manila, left Suez 16th.
City of Exeter .. For Ldn., left Pt. Said 18th.
City of Hereford .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Ldn. 19th.
City of Lille .. For N.Y., left Singapore 16th.
City of Manchester .. For Glasgow, left Dunkirk 18th.
City of Nagpur .. Fm. Bombay, arr. Dunkirk 17th.
City of Newcastle .. Fm. Karachi, arr. Suez 19th.
City of Paris .. For L'pool, left Bombay 16th.
City of Poona .. For Karachi, left Suez 16th.
City of Roubaix .. For Kobe, left Los Angeles 18th.
City of Winchester Fm. Melbourne, arr. Suez 19th.
City of Yokohama .. For Baltimore, left Philadel. 18th.
City of York .. Fm. Glasgow, arr. Bombay 16th.

ELLERMAN'S WILSON
Bassano .. Fm. Hull, arr. Bombay 17th.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA
Adolf von Baeyer Fm. Hamburg, arr. Tocopilla 18th.
Albert Ballin .. For N.Y., left Sthmtn. 19th.
Altona .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Macassar 12th.
Galicia .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Puerto Barrios 15th.
Gen. San Martin For Hamburg, left M'video 13th.
Gera .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Batavia 13th.
Hamburg .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. N.Y. 19th.
Kreta .. Fm. Al'andria, arr. Malta 18th.
Leuna .. For Adelaide, left Brisbane 18th.
Magdalena .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. St. Lucia 18th.
Mecklenburg .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Via'vostok 13th.
Munsterland .. For Hamburg, left Cuddalore 19th.
Njassa .. For Hamburg, left Dar-es-Salaam 19th.
Oceana .. Cruise, left Naples 14th.
Odenwald .. For Pt. Tampa, left N.Y. 17th.
Paraguay .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Santa Fe 13th.
Portland .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Los Angeles 14th.
Resolute .. For N.Y., left Kobe 18th.
Scheer .. Fm. Dalren, arr. Suez 20th.
Teutonia .. For Hamburg, left Trinidad 15th.
Vogtland .. For Hamburg, left Pt. Said 13th.

HAMBURG SUD AMERIKA
Antonio Delfino Fm. Hamburg, arr. B. Aires 19th.
Cap Polonio .. Fm. B. Aires, arr. Vigo 19th.

HARRISON
Huntsman .. Fm. Beira, arr. Pt. Louis 18th.

HENDERSON
Bhamo .. Fm. Clyde, arr. Rangoon 16th.
Chindwin .. For Glasgow, left Pt. Said 16th.
Irrawaddy .. For Shanghai, left Rangoon 11th.
Pegu .. For Rangoon, left M'seilles 19th.
Sagaing .. For Rangoon, left Pt. Sudan 15th.
Sittang .. Fm. Newport, arr. Hong-kong 18th.

LAMPORT AND HOLT
Boswell .. For Rosario, left Philadel. 18th.
Newton .. Fm. Rosario, arr. Mersey 19th.

LEYLAND
Atlantian .. For Cartagena, left Savanilla 17th.
Daytonian .. For Charleston, left Philadel. 18th.
Norwegian .. For Nassau, left Bermuda 18th.
Novian .. For L'pool, left Boston 17th.

MANCHESTER LINERS
Mchstr. Exporter Fm. Mchstr., arr. Philadel. 19th.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
Chenonceaux .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Suez 20th.
Doc. P. Benoit .. Fm. Dunkirk, arr. Pt. Said 19th.
Ex. Grandidier .. For M'seilles, left Pt. Said 16th.
Kouang Si .. For Tourane, left Saigon 11th.
Leconte de Lisle Fm. M'seilles, arr. Réunion 16th.
Min .. For Dunkirk, left Colombo 15th.
Yalou .. For Dunkirk, left Oran 15th.
Yang Tse .. For Vladivostok, left Singapore 16th.

NEDERLAND ROYAL MAIL
Johann de Witt .. For Amsterdam, cld. Sthmtn. 18th.
Madoera .. For L'pool, left Pt. Sudan 16th.
Prinses Juliana .. Fm. Batavia, arr. Suez 19th.

NELSON
Highland Hope .. For R. Plate, left Boulogne 17th.
Meissonier .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Tientsin 17th.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
Aki Maru .. For Melbourne, left Nagasaki 17th.
Anyo Maru .. For Hong-kong, left Honolulu 18th.
Bingo Maru .. Fm. B. Aires, arr. Santos 19th.
Hakusan Maru .. For Yokohama, left Gravesend 19th.
Koko Maru .. For U.S.A., left Tientsin 18th.
Lyons Maru .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Suez 19th.
Matsumoto Maru .. Fm. Hamburg, arr. Pt. Said 19th.
Rakuyo Maru .. Fm. Shimonoseki, arr. Panama 18th.
Rangoon Maru .. For Bombay, left Kobe 17th.
Taketoyo Maru .. For N.Y., left 'Frisco 18th.
Tatsuta Maru .. For 'Frisco, left Shanghai 18th.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD
Anatolia .. For Pernambuco, left Aracaju 15th.
Ansgir .. Fm. Valparaiso, arr. Panama 18th.
Berlin .. For N.Y., left Halifax 19th.
Chemnitz .. For Bremen, left Hankow 18th.
Columbus .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Honolulu 18th.
Dessau .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Saigon 16th.
Erlangen .. For Vladivostok, cld. Perim 20th.
Frankfurt .. Fm. Nagoya, arr. Suez 20th.
Goslar .. For Bremen, left Pt. Said 15th.
Havel .. For V'couver, left Los Angeles 15th.
Henner .. Left Sierra Leone 15th.
Ilmar .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Philadel. 19th.
Ingram .. For Bremen, left Orleans 16th.
Koln .. For Bremen, cld. Galveston 18th.
Lahn .. For Madras, left Tsingtao 16th.
Murla .. For San Antonio, left Callao 19th.
Minden .. For Amsterdam, left Kingston 18th.
Nienburg .. For Bremen, left Santos 17th.
Pfalz .. For Yokohama, left Manila 19th.
Remscheid .. For Bremen, left Yokohama 17th.

ORIENT
Orford .. For Ldn., left Gib. 19th.

PACIFIC STEAM
Cid .. For Buenaventura, left Cristobal 16th.
Laguna .. For Callao, left Cristobal 16th.
Orbita .. Fm. Valparaiso, arr. L'pool 18th.
Oroya .. For Vigo, left Havana 16th.

P. & O. AND ASSOCIATED LINES
PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
Balranald .. For Ldn., left Fremantle 17th.
Baradine .. For Sydney, left Malta 18th.
Behar .. Fm. Immingham, arr. Malta 19th.
Bendigo .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Adelaide 18th.
Cathay .. For Ldn., left Hobart 19th.
Jeypore .. For Pt. Said, left Immingham 18th.
Kaisar-i-Hind .. Fm. Ldn., arr. M'seilles 19th.
Kalyan .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Ldn. 19th.
Khiva .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Aden 19th.
Khyber .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Yokohama 19th.
Kidderpore .. Fm. Bombay, arr. Shanghai 18th.
Maloja .. For Bombay, left Suez 17th.
Malwa .. For Ldn., left Singapore 18th.
Mantua .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Singapore 19th.
Mirzapore .. For Bombay, left Shanghai 18th.
Mongolia .. Fm. Sydney, arr. Suez 19th.
Morea .. For Ldn., left Bombay 17th.
Nankin .. Fm. Calcutta, arr. Hamburg 17th.
Perim .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Calcutta 17th.
Rajputana .. For Ldn., left Kobe 17th.
Ranchi .. Fm. Bombay, arr. M'seilles 18th.
Ranpura .. For Yokohama, cld. Sthmtn. 18th.
Rawalpindi .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Suez 20th.
Viceroy of India Fm. Ldn., arr. Bombay 18th.

BRITISH INDIA
Domala .. Fm. Karachi, arr. Bombay 19th.
Karoa .. Fm. Bombay, arr. Zanzibar 20th.
Malda .. For Beira, left Tamatave 19th.
Margha .. For Calcutta, left Gravesend 19th.
Mashobra .. For Ldn., left Pt. Said 18th.
Matiana .. For Ldn., cld. Aden 18th.
Merkara .. For Calcutta, left Suez 18th.
Nuddea .. Fm. L'pool, arr. Brisbane 18th.
Shirala .. Fm. Calcutta, arr. Osaka 17th.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING
Tongariro .. Fm. Newport, arr. Aden 19th.

UNION OF NEW ZEALAND
Marama .. For Sydney, left 'Frisco 18th.
Niagara .. For V'couver, left Honolulu 18th.
Wairuna .. Fm. Melbourne, arr. Sydney 19th.

RED STAR
Belgenland .. Cruise, left Piraeus 16th.

ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET
Narenta .. For Antwerp, left V'couver 10th.
Sambre .. For Brazil, left Swansea 17th.

SILVER LINE
Silverash .. For Colombo, left Penang 18th.
Silverelm .. For Macassar, left 'Frisco 17th.
Silvermaple .. For Savannah, left Newport N. 18th.
Silveray .. Fm. Cebu, arr. 'Frisco 17th.

UNION-CASTLE
Balmoral Castle .. For Sthmtn., left Pt. Natal 17th.
Bampton Castle .. Fm. Ldn., arr. Pt. Sudan 18th.
Banbury Castle .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Algoa B. 19th.
Durham Castle .. Fm. Beira, arr. Algoa B. 19th.
Grantully Castle .. Fm. Pt. Natal, arr. Mombasa 16th.
Guildford Castle .. For L. Marques, cld. Plymouth 18th.
Kildonan Castle .. Fm. Ldn., arr. L. Marques 19th.
Llanstephan Castle For Beira, cld. St. Helena 19th.
Ripley Castle .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Pt. Natal 16th.
Windsor Castle .. For Sthmtn., left Table B. 18th.

UNITED STATES LINES
America .. For Hamburg, cld. Plymouth 17th.
American Shipper For Ldn., left N.Y. 17th.
Leviathan .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Sthmtn. 18th.
Pres. Roosevelt .. For N.Y., cld. Q'nstown 19th.

WHITE STAR
Adriatic .. Fm. Cruise, arr. L'pool 19th.
Albertic .. Fm. L'pool, arr. N.Y. 16th.
Baltic .. For N.Y., left L'pool 19th.
Calgaric .. For Montreal, left Sthmtn. 19th.
Homeric .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Sthmtn. 19th.
Laurentic .. For Montreal, left L'pool 19th.
Olympic .. For Sthmtn., left N.Y. 19th.

YEOWARD LINE
Avoceta .. For Las Palmas, left L'pool 19th.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS

(FROM OWNERS AND LLOYD'S)

American Banker Fm. N.Y., arr. Ldn. 20th.
Ascania .. For Montreal, left Cherbourg 19th.
Aurania .. For Ldn., left N.Y. 19th.
Barrabool .. For Ldn., cld. Plymouth 20th.
Karamea .. For Wellington, left A'mouth 19th.
Karnak .. For Iquique, cld. Arica 20th.
Laconia .. For N.Y., left Queenstown 20th.
Lancashire .. Fm. Rangoon, arr. Hull 19th.
Lancastria .. For N.Y., left Havre 19th.
Mchstr. Brigade For Montreal, left Mchstr. 20th.
Mauretania .. For N.Y., left Cherbourg 19th.
Megantic .. For Ldn., cld. Sthmtn. 20th.
Mundra .. For Bombay, left Gravesend 19th.
Murillo .. Arr. S. Shields, 18th.
Oaklands Grange Fm. R. Plate, arr. Mchstr. 20th.
Pennland .. For Antwerp, cld. Plymouth 20th.
Rotorua .. Fm. Wellington, arr. Sthmtn. 20th.
Schlesien .. Fm. Yokohama, arr. Naples 16th.
Scythia .. For L'pool, left Boston 20th.
Seydlitz .. For Bremen, left N.Y. 17th.
Transylvania .. Fm. N.Y., arr. Moville 20th.
Trier .. For Hamburg, left Belawan Deli 18th.

CASUALTY REPORTS

(FROM LLOYD'S)

AMERICAN FARMER.—New York, April 19.—American s. American Farmer, lying at Hoboken, afire No. 4 hold; extinguished. Damage reported slight.

HEMLAND.—Alexandria, April 20.—Swedish s. Hemland ran ashore harbour bank when proceeding sea last night. Destination Rotterdam; cargo onions, oil-cake. Port tugs attempted refloat unsuccessfully. Arrangements now being made to discharge sufficient bunkers or cargo to lighten vessel.

MICHALIS POUTOUS.—Barry, April 20.—Information received from reliable source that large Greek s. Michalis Poutous, laden and outward bound, grounded off Penarth Head. No further information available at present.

PEEL CASTLE.—See St. Tudno.

SHEAF CROWN.—Limerick, April 19.—British s. Sheaf Crown, when leaving to-day, owing heavy gale, got across dock entrance and remained fast aground hard astern. Harbour master does not consider vessel will take any damage and expect to float her to-night or to-morrow midday tide with towage assistance.

ST. TUDNO.—Liverpool, April 19.—Steamer St. Tudno, owners Liverpool and North Wales Steamship Company, Limited, whilst berthing at Princes Landing Stage this morning collided with s. Peel Castle, owners Isle of Man Steam Packet Company, Limited, lying at that stage. Damage to vessels, if any, unknown.

TIZIANO.—Palermo, April 19.—Italian s. Tiziano got off last night with assistance of a salvage steamer.

VECTENSIAN.—Ryde, April 19.—M.V. Vectensian aground in St. Helen's Channel; will probably refloat next high water.

Later.—M.V. VECTENSIAN refloated, apparently undamaged.

AUSTRALIAN FINANCE

LONDON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

The Australian and New Zealand Section of the London Chamber of Commerce has issued a report on the Australian financial situation which has been drawn up by a committee of inquiry composed of its own members.

"The crisis," says the report, "had only been brought to a head by the drop in world prices of wool and wheat, which had resulted in a loss to Australia of some million pounds. Australia's difficulties were accentuated by the fact that she had to provide about £30,000,000 sterling on this side for interest on public debts. For a number of years she had not been exporting sufficient to cover that liability in London, with the result that she had been paying the interest out of borrowed money, and that money had been borrowed here. That position should have been corrected some years ago. In addition to the public debts, there were debts due to this country by Australian municipal and public utility undertakings. Investments in Australia by people in Great Britain also called for the remittance of interest and that could only be done by exports from Australia. . . . So far as concerned the future, the committee, as traders themselves, recognized a natural desire on the part of exporters to maintain their trade as far as possible in face of the present restrictions. . . . The question which the Committee had, therefore, to decide was whether, if means were devised to get round this position, traders might not be bringing more difficulties upon themselves, and in any case postponing the date of Australia's economic restoration.

"With regard to Australia's policy of restricting imports as a means of fostering home industries, the committee were not unmindful of the fact that, during the period when British goods were shut out of the Australian market, those local industries would be stimulated, and that it would be increasingly difficult when the financial position was more or less rectified for British traders to regain their business. A member of the committee, therefore, suggested that they might explore the practicability of selling on extended credit to approved accounts and of arranging that payment be made to an Australian account, so that money would not be moved out of Australia. The committee, however, had to recognize that the question was not one merely of finance, but was largely economic. Australia had determined severely to curtail imports and even to prohibit some, and, therefore, although the proposal might be adopted in isolated cases, it was hardly feasible for general application. Moreover, it was one which most traders could ill afford to adopt. With regard to the suggestion that the Export Credits scheme might be resorted to in some way to assist the position, it was pointed out that this scheme was established in order to assist exporters to send goods to countries which wanted them. It was clear that Australia did not."

SUPPRESSION OF FORCED LABOUR

PROPOSED DRAFT CONVENTION

The International Labour Office announces the issue of a report on "Forced labour," a question due for final discussion at the International Labour Conference which will assemble at Geneva on June 10.

It is officially stated that the report contains the replies of 23 Governments to the comprehensive *questionnaire* adopted by the last session of the Conference.

"If," it is added, "account is taken only of the replies of the Governments most directly and practically concerned with native labour problems, it is found that they are for the most part in favour of the ultimate suppression of forced or compulsory labour in all its forms. Equally general, however, is the opinion of the Governments concerned that, while the complete suppression of forced or compulsory labour is the final objective, immediate suppression is not practicable, and, as an interim measure, its use should be limited and regulated."

The I.L.O. has accordingly appended to the report the texts of a proposed Draft Convention and of two proposed recommendations. The proposed Draft Convention provides for a general undertaking to suppress forced or compulsory labour in all its forms, and goes on to specify those forms of such labour which can be suppressed immediately or in the near future. As regards other forms of forced or compulsory labour, it lays down the principles which should limit or regulate their use during the period of transition to the employment of voluntary labour only.

The draft recommendations are designed to supplement the proposed convention, and deal respectively with the principles which it would be desirable to apply in order to prevent indirect compulsion to labour, and with certain principles and rules relating to the regulation of forced or compulsory labour which it may not be expedient to include in the convention itself.

STATE OF TRADE

DISAPPOINTING OUTLOOK FOR COAL

(FROM OUR TRADE CORRESPONDENT)

There is little sign of increasing trade activity. The absence of the customary pre-holiday pressure at the coal-shipping ports was very disappointing and is taken as evidence of a declining tendency in the industry; in some districts, notably South Wales, several collieries are closing indefinitely. It is hoped, however, that existing stocks will be largely reduced after the holidays and that, with the early reopening of navigation to Northern Europe and Canada, some recovery in the export trade will take place.

ENGINEERING AND SHIPBUILDING.—In most branches of engineering pressure is variable, and the volume of work is, in most centres, less than at this time last year. Rather better accounts are given of the motor-car industry. Although there was an increase in the tonnage under construction, it is pointed out that less work is coming forward from the offices to the building berths, and that unless fresh orders are placed soon there will be a decrease in activity later in the year.

IRON AND STEEL.—There was no increase in business before the holidays, but it is still hoped that spring and summer requirements will necessitate considerable buying in the near future. Output continues fairly heavy, and some branches promise to be busily employed for some time, but other departments are less fortunately placed and orders are rather urgently needed.

CUTLERY.—There has been little improvement in the state of the cutlery and allied trades of Sheffield. Business generally is slow and few firms have good order books, while many concerns are working with reduced staffs and on short time. The Easter holiday stoppage is longer than the normal period.

DRAPERY AND CLOTHING.—The holiday trade in the distributive branches was not as good as in previous years, but there is growing confidence that, although the season's trade began late, it will soon develop strongly. Wholesale clothing firms were busily employed until the holiday, and it is stated that output would be greater but for the shortage of skilled machinists to cope with the seasonal demand. Little difficulty is expected regarding cloth supplies, unless the strike in Yorkshire is prolonged.

WOOL.—Although production was seriously disorganized by the strike, a feeling of more confidence in the outlook for the industry was apparent before the holidays. The firmer prices for wool have encouraged the belief that as soon as the present troubles are settled the industry will make steady progress to a more healthy position.

ARTIFICIAL SILK.—A recovery in trade is expected to follow the removal of the recent uncertainty in regard to the duties, for stocks in distributors' hands are low, and the severe curtailment of production during the past few months has relieved the unsatisfactory position caused by former over-production.

COTTON.—The situation in India, together with the boycott on imports, has seriously diminished the already small amount of business in cloth. China also continues to be a poor market, and, unfortunately, other markets are doing very little fresh business. This unsatisfactory state of affairs is causing a further curtailment in the demand for yarn.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The pre-Easter trade was not so active as in former years, but some recovery in business is expected with the progress of the season; sports goods are in increasing demand.

HOSIERY AND LACE.—Unemployment in the main sections of the hosiery trade is stated to be worse now than at any time since 1921. The only active sections are those engaged in the production of sports wear, pull-overs, &c. The output of lace remains rather below the normal for this period of the year. Business in the home market is slower than for some time past, and the decision of the Chancellor of the Exchequer to allow the lace safeguarding duty to lapse is said to be likely to make the position worse. French firms have already been submitting two price-lists with this season's samples, one list being with the existing duty added and the other without.

*** Further reports on the state of home industries appear every week in *The Times Trade and Engineering Supplement.*

BUILDING MATERIAL PRICES

By the courtesy of the *Builder* we are able to give the average prices prevailing during the week ended April 18 for some of the principal materials used in the erection of houses, and to compare them with the prices charged before the War and those in operation at the beginning of 1923:—

Materials	Aug., 1914 £ s. d.	Jan., 1923 £ s. d.	April 18, 1930 £ s. d.
Bricks, per 1,000:—			
Best stocks	1 16 0	4 2 6	4 2 6
Flettons	1 14 0	3 1 0	2 12 3
Glazed	13 0 0	22 0 0	20 10 0
Thames ballast, per yard	5 9	13 6	9 9
Thames sand, per yard	7 3	10 0	12 0
Shingle (3/4in.), per yard	—	14 0	11 6
Portland cement, per ton	1 18 0	3 3 0	2 6 9
Greystone lime	1 8 0	2 16 6	2 10 9
Ground blue lias	1 0 0	2 18 6	1 17 6
Bath stone, per ft. cube	1 7½	2 11	2 10
Portland stone	2 4½	4 7	4 4½
Good sound building timber, per standard:—			
4×11in.	16 10 0	34 0 0	27 10 0
3×7in.	—	22 10 0	22 0 0
2½×7in.	—	22 10 0	21 0 0
3×11in.	15 0 0	32 10 0	25 0 0
2×11in.	—	32 10 0	26 0 0
3×4in.	—	21 0 0	21 0 0
Slates, per 1,000 of 1,200:—			
24in.×12in.	—	41 17 0	31 0 0
22in.×12in.	—	38 0 0	27 19 6
20in.×12in.	13 17 6	33 8 3	24 7 6
20in.×10in.	13 2 6	28 11 6	20 17 6
18in.×10in.	13 5 0	23 12 0	17 5 0
16in.×10in.	—	19 16 0	14 14 6
16in.×8in.	10 5 0	15 8 3	11 5 0
R. S. joists, per ton	9 10 0	12 0 0	12 10 0*
Iron:—			
Common bars, per ton	9 0 0	12 10 0	11 0 0*
Mild steel bars, per ton	9 5 0	12 0 0	10 0 0*
Steel bars	9 5 0	12 0 0	9 10 0
Cut nails	11 10 0	21 10 0	16 0 0
Sheet lead	22 15 0	35 10 0	28 0 0
Raw linseed oil, per gallon	2 4	3 7	3 7
Turpentine, per gallon	2 6	3 9	4 0
Ground English white lead, per ton	30 5 0	55 5 0	52 0 0
White lead paint, per ton	—	77 10 0	71 10 0
Red lead	28 10 0	39 0 0	39 0 0
Glass:—			
15oz. sheet, per ft.	2	2¾	2¼
21oz. sheet, per ft.	3	4⅝	3¼
26oz. sheet, per ft.	3¾	5½	4½

* Lowest price.

£450 PENALTY FOR ATTEMPTED SMUGGLING

Mrs. LAURA BRENNER, of Windsor-terrace, Plymouth, was summoned at Westminster Police Court on Wednesday for attempted evasion of tax on various silk garments at Victoria Station on March 10. Mr. R. L. Fisk, solicitor for the Customs, said the defendant, arriving from France, was questioned as to a number of silk dresses and two fur coats which she said she had bought in this country. Asked if she would sign a declaration in respect of this statement—and it was a serious aspect of the case—she agreed to do so and did actually so sign. The property was detained, and subsequently the defendant returned to the station and admitted that she had attempted to smuggle all the articles. Mr. Walter Frampton, for the defendant, said she had been in Paris several months and had worn the various articles the subject of the inquiry. Having once made a mistake she foolishly adhered to her story. Mr. BOYD imposed a penalty of £450.

MIDLAND SEALYHAM SHOW

At the Midland Sealyham Terrier Club's Championship Show at Rugby on Wednesday there was a large entry and the quality was very high. The silver cup for the best dog in the show was won by Mrs. A. Barnes's Michael of Hookstone, and the best bitch was Mr. D. Trevor Roberts's Rannadle Eloquence. Among the other leading prize winners were:—

Mr. R. H. Bentley, Mr. C. Pacey, Mrs. T. A. H. Hill-son, Miss D. Boydell-Gibson, Colonel A. F. Nicholson, Mrs. A. Venall, Mr. F. R. Jones, Mrs. A. Wilkinson, Mrs. M. A. Dix, Mr. W. Andrew, Miss A. Huntingdon, Miss Hazel, Captain R. S. de Quincey, Mrs. C. Charles, Mrs. R. R. Drew, Mrs. L. Alldred, Mrs. A. S. [illegible], Mrs. C. M. Baker, Mrs. N. Pearson, Mr. W. J. Irving and Miss F. T. Channing. The judges were Dr. A. [illegible] and Mr. F. Rodocanachi.

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MONEY MARKET

FALL IN FRENCH EXCHANGE

Quiet and easy conditions prevailed in Lombard-street on Saturday. Money was readily obtainable over the Bank Holiday at 2 per cent., the rate falling away to 1½ per cent. towards the close. For renewals the charge appeared to vary from 2 to 1½ per cent. The tone of the discount market was steady, the effective rate for three months bills again being 2½ to $2\frac{9}{16}$ per cent. There was a continuance of the demand by the clearing banks for June paper. "Hot" Treasury Bills were dealt in for immediate delivery at $2\frac{15}{32}$ per cent. The principal feature of the Foreign Exchanges was the weakness of sterling in terms of French francs, the Paris cheque closing at 123.98½f., as against 124.04f. on Friday

The Bank rate is 3½ per cent., to which it was reduced from 4 per cent. on March 20. The banks' deposit rate is 1½ per cent. and the deposit rates of the discount houses are 1½ per cent. at call and 1¾ per cent. at notice.

Loans (per Cent.)		Discount (Bank Bills) (per Cent.)			
Day to day.	For short periods.	60 days.	3 months.	4 months.	6 months.
1½-2½	2½	$2\frac{9}{16}$—2⅝	2½—$2\frac{9}{16}$	2⅝	2⅝—2¾

Discount (Treasury Bills)		(Fine Trade Bills)		
2 mths. %	3 mths. %	3 months.	4 months.	6 months.
$2\frac{9}{16}$—2⅝	2½	3½—4	3¾—4	4—4½

NATIONAL BANK OF AUSTRIA
(000's omitted)

ASSETS	April 15	Inc. or dec.
	Schillings	Schillings
Metal reserve	386,688	— 2,360
Foreign bills	334,750	— 1,047
Small coin	6,607	+ 705
Bills discounted, including warrants, loans on mortgages, and advances on bonds	133,157	— 20,897
Federal loan debt	108,448	Unchanged
Securities	3,433	+ 2
Buildings and furnishings	10,440	Unchanged
Other claims and assets, including certain drafts included in metal reserve	275,629	+ 1,892
LIABILITIES		
Share capital of 30,000,000 gold krs. converted into Austrian schillings	43,200	Unchanged
Reserve	9,283	Unchanged
Notes in circulation	886,204	— 38,158
Liabilities	83,446	+ 14,548
Other liabilities	237,017	+ 1,890

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BANK OF POLAND

—	March 31	Inc. or Dec.
ASSETS	Zloty	Zloty
Gold, including amount held abroad	701,906,483	+ 99,863
Foreign currencies and balances abroad	441,419,609	+ 7,848,594
Silver and other coin	530,867	— 236,184
Bills discounted	623,592,534	— 6,639,169
Advances	81,219,240	+ 3,297,580
Bank reserve bills	84,027,584	+ 490,633
Advances to the State	25,000,000	Unchanged
Buildings and furnishings	20,000,000	Unchanged
Other assets	108,235,300	+ 8,133,728
LIABILITIES		
Share capital	150,000,000	Unchanged
Reserve fund	110,000,000	Unchanged
Notes in circulation	1,324,023,160	+122,957,790
Current accounts	337,153,866	—113,812,995
Government accounts	75,000,000	Unchanged
Other liabilities	89,754,560	+ 3,850,301

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BANK OF SPAIN

—	April 12	Inc. or Dec.
	Pesetas	Pesetas
Gold in hand	2,468,759,630	+ 216,022
Silver in hand	710,173,222	— 1,722,920
Foreign bills	34,790,457	+ 61,931
Discount and short bills	1,947,699,381	— 54,957,585
Treasury accts., Treasury loan and redeemable debt	691,914,872	+ 2,440,236
Notes in circulation	4,447,457,000	+ 7,951,200
Current accounts, deposits, &c.	839,095,300	— 8,169,661
Dividends, interest, and other obligations	96,567,737	— 20,148,197
Government securities	206,474,527	— 24,150,501

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BANK OF PORTUGAL

—	March 26	Inc. or Dec.
ASSETS	Escudos	Escudos
Coin and bullion	8,577,180	Unchanged
Balances abroad	123,546,921	+ 7,379,861
Discounts	338,469,034	— 6,280,156
Government loan	1,540,665,644	Unchanged
LIABILITIES		
Notes in circulation	1,879,003,653	— 4,315,136
Deposits	58,899,243	+ 3,832,632

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FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Business in the Foreign Exchange market was small. There was a demand for French francs; the rate fell below the 124f. level, and after touching 123.97f., closed at 123.98½f.—or 5½c. lower on the day. Sterling on New York was steadier, and the rate closed $\frac{1}{32}$c. higher at 4.86\frac{5}{32}$c. The Spanish exchange was weak, the final rate showing a movement of 16c. against the peseta at 39.02½p. Other Continental exchanges showed a slight downward tendency, with the exception of Berlin, which rose ½pf. to 20.37½m. Eastern exchanges were unchanged.

The following table gives the range of telegraphic exchange quotations within which business was reported on Saturday:—

Place	Method of quoting	Par of exchange	April 19	April 17
New York	$ to £	4.86⅔	4.86 5/32-86 5/16	4.86 5/32-86¼
Montreal	$ to £	4.86⅔	4.86 1/16-86¼	4.86⅛-86 7/16
Paris	Fr. to £	124.21	123.97-124.05	124-124.09
Brussels	Bel. to £	35.00	34.83½-84½	34.83½-84¾
Milan	Lire to £	92.46	92.72-92.76	92.72-92.76
Zurich	Fr. to £	25.2215	25.07-08	25.07½-08¼
Athens	Dr. to £	375	374¾-375¼	374¾-375¼
Helsingfors	M. to £	193.23	193-193¼	192⅞-193⅛
Madrid	Pts. to £	25.2215	38.85-39.02½	38.80-38.91
Lisbon	Escu. to £	—	108⅛-108⅜	108⅛-108⅜
Amsterd'm	Fl. to £	12.107	12.08-08¼	12.08⅛-09½
Berlin	M. to £	20.43	20.37-20.38	20.37-20.38¼
Vienna	Sch. to £	34.58½	34.48-34.52	34.48-34.52
Budapest	Pen. to £	27.82	27.80-27.85	27.80-27.85
Prague	Kr. to £	†164.25	164-164¼	164-164¼
Warsaw	Zloty to £	43.38	43 5/16-43 7/16	43.36-43.41
Riga	Lats to £	25.2215	25.17-25.27	25.21-25.27
Bucharest	Lei to £	813.6	817-819	817-819
Constan'le	Pst. to £	110	1,025‡	1,025‡
Belgrade	Din. to £	25.2215	274½-275	274¾-275¼
Kovno	Lit. to £	48.66	48⅝-48⅞	48⅝-48⅞
Sofia	Lev. to £	673.659	665-675	668-675
Reval	E.Kr. to £	18.159	18.20-18.27	18.20-18.27
Oslo	Kr. to £	18.159	18.16-18.16½	18.16-18.16½
Stockholm	Kr. to £	18.159	18.08½-18.09	18.08½-09¼
Copenh'g'n	Kr. to £	18.159	18.16-18.16½	18.16-18.16⅝
Alexandria	Pst. to £	97½	97 7/16-97 9/16	97 7/16-97 9/16
Bombay	Per rup.	18d.	1/5 27/32-⅞	1/5 27/32-⅞
Calcutta	Per rup.	18d.	1/5 27/32-⅞	1/5 27/32-⅞
Madras	Per rup.	18d.	1/5 27/32-⅞	1/5 27/32-⅞
Hong-kong	Per dol.	—	1/6⅛-¼	1/6⅛-¼
Kobe	Per yen	24.58d.	2/0 11/32-13/32	2/0 11/32-13/32
Shanghai	Per tael	—	1/11⅛-3/16	1/11⅛-3/16
Singapore	Per dol.	2/4	2/3 21/32-13/16	2/3 21/32-13/16
Batavia	Fl. to £	12.107	12.08⅞-09⅛	12.08⅞-09⅛
Manila	Per dol.	24.066d.	2/0 5/16	2/0 5/16
Rio de Jan.	Per mil.	5.899d.	5 49/64-5 53/64	5 49/64-5 53/64
B. Aires	Per dol.	47.577d.	43 11/16-43 15/16	43⅝-43 25/32
V'paraiso†	$ to £	40	39.92	39.92
M'video	Per dol.	51d.	45⅝-46⅛‡	45⅝-46⅛‡
Lima†	Soles to £	12.166	12.60‡	12.60‡
Mexico	Pesos to £	9.76	10.15-10.35	10.15-10.35

† 90 days. ‡ Based on legal stabilization at 82.90-3.03 to 100kr. ‡ Nominal.

EMPIRE EXCHANGE RATES
BUYING RATES PER £100

—	Demand	30 days' sight	60 days' sight	90 days' sight
On:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Australia	92 12 6	92 1 3	91 10 0	90 18 9
New Zealand	93 17 6	93 6 3	92 15 0	92 3 9
Africa & Rhodesia	98 15 0	98 2 6	97 10 0	96 17 6

SELLING RATES

—	Cable Transfers	Demand
On:—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Australia	93 17 6	93 10 0
New Zealand	95 7 6	95 0 0
South Africa	99 15 0	99 12 6
Rhodesia	99 16 3	99 13 9

No gold movements were announced by the Bank of England on Saturday. The influx since Wednesday last, therefore, remains at £1,000,000. Net influx for 1930 to date, £14,430,457; net efflux for 1929 (according to the published movements of gold), £8,228,489.

The bullion market was closed on Saturday.

BULLION AND SPECIE

Imports of gold into Great Britain and Northern Ireland registered from midday on April 14 to midday on April 17 amounted to £459,231, while exports amounted to £96,789. In the same period imports of silver were £151,355, and exports £34,164.

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL'S CREDIT FOR RUSSIA

Lord Melchett confirmed to the Press Association last night a statement that a £3,000,000 credit arrangement for the supply of fertilizers and other chemicals to the Soviet Government had been signed between M. Bron, the new Soviet Trade Delegate to London, and Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited. The export to Russia is expected to begin in June next.

AMERICAN BUSINESS CONDITIONS

LITTLE SIGN OF IMPROVEMENT

BIG MERGERS PENDING

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, APRIL 20

Last week's stock market, which was curtailed by two holidays, was much less active than those of immediately preceding weeks, and price movements as well as the volume of trading reflected a growing cautiousness among speculators. Disappointment over the failure of business to show the recovery expected at the approach of Easter and the opening up of the season of outdoor activities, and also the appearance of a number of corporation reports showing an average decrease of 17¾ per cent. in earnings in the first quarter of 1930 as compared with the same period of 1929, were sobering influences.

Apart from these it was widely recognized that the market was in a poor technical condition after the prolonged advance based largely on hopes for trade and industry that have not been realized. The rise of $131,000,000 in brokers' loans in a week, which was reported at the close of business on Wednesday, was an additional advertisement of the passing of stocks from strong into weak hands.

While the past week was not without some betterments in business they were in general only slight, and there is no reason to suppose that a radical change is about to occur. The steel industry reported a small increase in operations, and there was an increased output of motor vehicles, the one fact being related to the other. The gain in the automobile industry, however, was pretty well confined to light car manufacturing. Ford's production, which was at the rate of 5,000 units a day in January, is now up to 9,000 units, and next week will be raised to 9,600 units a day, but the activity of the Ford Company and the Chevrolet division of the General Motors organization appears to be largely at the expense of other motor-car manufacturers. In consequence more and more is heard from motor-car manufacturers of the increased severity of competition. And what is true of motor-cars is true of industry as a whole.

It is plain that this is to be a year of eliminations and consolidations on a large scale in trade, industry and banking. No week passes without some new large combination being rumoured or announced. Last week the Radio Corporation of America announced a forthcoming readjustment of its relations with the General Electric and Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing companies which will give the former almost a complete monopoly of the manufacture and distribution of radio apparatus and other forms of home entertainment in return for the surrender to the latter companies of the voting control of its stock. At the same time it became known that shareholders in two of the largest mail order houses in the country, Sears Roebuck and Montgomery Ward, are attempting to merge them and thus to create the largest retail merchandizing organization in the world.

HEAVY NEW FINANCING

There has been no change in the prospect of a continuance of easy money, although the Federal Reserve system has not lately been particularly active in that direction. Last week the Minneapolis Reserve Bank was permitted to lower its discount rate, and all 12 banks now have a 4 per cent. rate, except New York, which has a 3½ per cent. rate.

A slight further rise in bankers' bill rates in New York brought heavy offerings of bills to the Reserve system, whose purchases were more than enough to offset the reduction in member banks' discounts. A report of the American Acceptance Council shows that there was a decrease in the first quarter of 1930 of nearly $85,000,000 in outstanding bankers' acceptances, most of it occurring significantly enough in acceptances against goods in warehouses. This development is, of course, welcome as an indication of the liquidation of inventories.

New financing in the past week totalled less than $100,000,000 (£20,000,000), but about $250,000,000 is expected this week, including part of the Sao Paulo Coffee Loan, a loan of $17,000,000 to Uruguay, and of $12,000,000 to Antwerp. There are a great number of loans for German enterprises in the background of discussion, but most of these will have to be held over until after the reparations bonds have been sold. Latin-American financing is expected to be very heavy. During the week Morgans bought a New York State bond issue of $31,550,000 in four per cents. at a premium of $655,293, announcing that they would distribute the bonds privately.

The drastic cut in the price of copper brought out some export buying, but the response of the domestic market was so disappointing that a further reduction seems inevitable.

COMPANY EARNINGS IN AMERICA

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

NEW YORK, APRIL 18

Forty-seven companies, representing a wide range of industry, report for the first quarter of 1930 earnings aggregating $47,932,942, or 17.5 per cent. less than in the corresponding quarter of 1929. Twenty-six of these companies showed decreases from last year, the biggest being those of two motor companies. Earnings of one of them—Hupp Motor—fell from $1,512,091 to $66,749, and the earnings of the other—Willys Overland—from $2,028,020 to $136,443.

It is reported that shareholders of Sears Roebuck and Co. and Montgomery Ward and Co., two of the largest mail order houses in the United States, are arranging to submit to the directors a plan for merging the two concerns. This merger, if effected, would produce the largest retail distributing organization in the world. Combined sales of the two companies in 1929 were $735,000,000. Both companies operate a number of large department stores and scores of chain stores throughout the country.

GERMAN COAL SYNDICATE COMPROMISE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

FRANKFURT, APRIL 18

A compromise was concluded at yesterday's meeting of the Ruhr collieries at Essen. Owing to the rival parties being unable to come to an agreement on the much contested question of the general accounting system and the levy for a period of 10 years, only a temporary settlement was reached on this point for one year, whereby the levy will be imposed on 70 per cent. of the consumption of coal by the smelting works in their own plant. The levy will be calculated on the old basis, but must not exceed 1.50 marks per ton. Normally the new syndicate's agreement runs until March 31, 1940. However, in the event of no definite agreement regarding the levy being reached by December 31, 1930, by nine-tenths of all members' votes, the members have the right to withdraw from the syndicate, which then expires on March 31, 1931. Practically speaking, the Ruhr coal syndicate has therefore only been renewed for one year.

The new agreement only comprises about 82 per cent. of the Ruhr collieries, the remainder having refused to sign the new agreement so far.

AMERICAN MARKETS

STERLING EASIER

NEW YORK, April 19.—The Stock Exchange and the Kerb market have remained closed.

Sterling exchange was dull and easier, Cable Transfers showing a further decline at 4.86⅛c.

EXCHANGE	Method of Quoting	Parity	April 19	April 18
		$	$	$
MONTREAL on—London, cables	£1	4.86⅔	4.86 5/16	4.86¼
NEW YORK on—London, sight	£1	—	4.85⅞	4.85 15/16
Cables	£1	4.86⅔	4.86⅛	4.86 5/16
60 days, sight	£1	—	4.83⅝	4.83 11/16
Grain bills, sight	£1	—	4.85⅛	4.85¼
Seven days	£1	—	4.85⅛	4.85⅛
Paris, short sight	100f.	3.91¾	3.92⅛	3.91⅞
Rome, cables	100l.	5.26	5.24¼	5.24¼
Amsterdam, short sight	100fl.	40.20	40.19½	40.17½
Oslo, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.77	26.76½
Stockholm, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.88	26.87½
Copenh'g'n, cables	100kr.	26.80	26.78	26.77
Prague, cheques	100kr.		2.96⅛	2.96⅛
Berlin, short sight	100mk.	23.80	23.86½	23.86½
Brussels, cables	100bel.	13.90	13.95½	13.95½
Berne, cables	100f.	19.30	19.39	19.38¾
Madrid, cables	100ps.	19.30	12.46	12.50
Vienna, cables	100sch.	14.07	14.09¾	14.09¾
Budapest, cables	100pen.	17.49	17.48¼	17.48¼
Belgrade, cables	100din	1.76	1.77⅛	1.77⅛
Athens, cables	100dr.	1.30	1.29¾	1.29⅞
		Cents	Cents	Cents
B. Aires	1 peso	42.54	40.02	38.93
Rio, cables	1 mil.	32.45	11.80	11.77

Silver was quoted ⅛c. lower at 42¼c. for foreign bullion.

Stockholders of the U.S. Industrial Alcohol Company have authorized an increase in the common stock from 400,000 to 500,000 shares and the cancelling of the preferred stock.

WHEAT EASIER

The New Orleans Cotton Exchange, New York markets (except the Produce Exchange), and Winnipeg markets were closed to-day.

WHEAT.—The cash market closed easy and 2c. lower. No. 2 red winter, 122¼c.; No. 2 amber durum, unquoted; No. 2 hard winter, 109⅛c.; No. 2 Manitoba nominal. MAIZE easy, ⅜c. down. No. 2 mixed, 93⅛c., f.o.b. New York. OATS easy, ⅜c. lower. White clipped, 50⅛c., f.o.b. New York. RYE easy, 1¼c. down. No. 2 Western, 71⅛c., f.o.b. New York. BARLEY nominal with No. 2 malting unquoted.

FLOUR was steady and unchanged.

DAILY GRAIN MOVEMENTS (Thousands)

—	To-day	Same day last yr.	This week	This season	Last season
Wheat (bushels)—					
Receipts, Western	994	610	2,743	381,938	465,045
Do., Atlantic	179	156	710	72,107	105,493
*Exports, ditto	217	8	829	67,135	88,697
Maize (bushels)—					
Receipts, Western	1,032	498	4,888	209,424	244,383
Do., Atlantic	23	46	124	4,104	20,262
*Exports, ditto	—	—	—	9	17,192
Flour (barrels)—					
Shipments, Westn	131	72	539	21,796	22,347
Receipts, Atlantic	117	49	396	17,303	19,468
*Exports, ditto	12	10	78	3,313	4,574
Oats (bushels)—					
Receipts, Western	505	445	1,855	115,975	114,962
Do., Atlantic	8	34	110	5,246	10,993
*Exports, ditto	—	—	20	179	3,965

* From New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and New Orleans.

LARD closed barely steady and 5c. lower. Prime Western steam, $10.80; Middle West, spot, $10.70.

WOOL.—While holiday quietude has prevailed the tone of the market is steadier, helped by a slight improvement in inquiry for piece goods, reflecting retail activity. Territory fine staple is unchanged at 65c. per lb.

COPPER.—The outstanding development of the past week was the sharp reduction in the official price of electrolytic, the Producers' Association announcing a "cut" of 4c. per lb. to 14.00c. Such a movement has been expected for a considerable time past, and its effect had been more or less discounted. Although there were various reports of good sales for export, the amount of buying on domestic account was relatively moderate, many potential buyers showing a disposition to keep out of the market in the belief that still lower prices were likely in view of the weak statistical position of the metal. Electrolytic is now quoted at 14.00c. per lb., f.o.b., for domestic, spot delivery, and for export, spot and May, against 18.00c. last week.

TIN.—Only a moderate amount of business was recorded in the past week, and the market had an easier tendency, the decline in prices being attributed in part to the fall in copper. Consumers have shown no anxiety to buy more than to cover their requirements, and supplies continue ample. Straits metal finished ⅛c. lower at 36¾c. per lb. for spot, against 37⅛c. last week and 36⅞c. for May, against 37¼c.

SPELTER.—The market developed fresh weakness during the course of the past week, being affected by the fall in the price of copper. East St. Louis prices declined 17½ points to 4.82½c. per lb. for spot and May, against 5.00c. last week.

LEAD.—The market has shown quiet steadiness during the period, and the spot price was unchanged throughout at 5.50c. per lb.

TIN PLATES.—Business has continued moderate, with no material change in the outlook. Prices remain on the basis of $5.25 per box for prime makes.

PIG IRON.—Moderate activity was reported, though buying was still mostly in small lots and chiefly for early shipment. No. 2 foundry on Eastern Pennsylvania markets showed no change at $19.50 per ton.

STEEL.—Reports received during the past week from most sections were a little more encouraging, orders showing signs of expansion and production increasing slightly. There was no change in the price situation. Bessemer steel rails remained at $43.00 per ton.

TURPENTINE was quiet and ½c. lower at 53½c. to 54c.

JACKSONVILLE, April 17.—TURPENTINE closed quiet at 47½c. bid.

SAVANNAH, April 17.—TURPENTINE was firm at 48c. to 48½c. ROSIN.—Grade F, $6.55; Grade K, $6.65; Grade WW, $7.25.

DULUTH, April 19.—LINSEED futures closed barely steady at ⅛c. to ½c. decline. May, 2.83½; July, 2.84⅛c.

KANSAS CITY, April 19.—WHEAT futures closed easy and 1⅛c. to 1¼c. lower. May, 97⅛c.; July, 99⅛c.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 19.—WHEAT futures closed easy at 2c. decline. May, 103⅜c.; July, 105⅞c.

TOLEDO, April 19.—CLOVERSEED closed steady and unchanged. Cash, 11.40; Oct., 12.60.

CHICAGO, April 19.—WHEAT.—The opening was easy, 1c. to ⅛c. lower on reports of beneficial rains in both wheat belts and good progress with spring wheat sowing in the American north-west and in Canada. After rallying slightly on some outside covering, the market further receded under "bear" selling encouraged by the long-range forecast indicating further rains where needed. The close was easy at a fall of 1⅛c. to 2⅛c. Closing prices:—May, 105⅛c.; July, 107c.; Sept., 109⅛c.; Dec., 113⅞c.

MAIZE closed barely steady at a fall of ⅛c. to ⅜c. May, 83⅛c.; July, 84⅛c.; Sept., 85⅛c.; Dec., 80⅛c. OATS closed easy and ⅜c. to ⅜c. lower. May, 42⅞c.; July, 43⅛c.; Sept., 42⅛c. RYE.—No. 2 cash nominal. Futures easy at 1⅛c. to 1¼c. decline. May, 61⅛c.; July, 67⅛c.; Sept., 72c.

PROVISIONS closed barely steady, with lard 7½ points lower and pork 2½ points lower to unchanged. Closing prices:—Lard: May, 10.30; July, 10.52½; Sept., 10.72½. Ribs unquoted. Pork (drysalted clear bellies): May, 13.50; July, 13.60; Sept., 13.62½.

BACON closed steady and unchanged. HOGS easy, with light 5 to 20 points and heavy sorts 20 to 15 points down. Receipts at 15 principal Western centres, including Chicago, since March 1 total 3,606,000, against 3,680,000 for a similar period last year.

	Bacon, fat backs, 12-14lb.	Hogs Light	Hogs Heavy
To-day	11.25	9.85 to 10.40	9.60 to 10.25
Previous day	11.25	9.90 to 10.60	9.80 to 10.40
Last year	12.87½	11.10 to 11.60	11.15 to 11.50
Receipts—		Western	Chicago
To-day*		109,000	20,000
Previous day		75,000	16,000
Last year		33,000	6,000

* Two days.

AMERICAN COTTON MOVEMENT

NEW YORK, April 19.—The *Financial Chronicle* publishes the following summary of its reports received from correspondents in the cotton-growing States:—Except in dry sections of the South-west planting is progressing. The week's plantation deliveries amount to 4,000 bales, against 1,000 bales last week and 25,000 bales last year. The quantity of cotton now on shipboard, but not yet cleared, amounts to 107,000 bales, against 109,000 bales last year. Of the current week's total 10,000 bales are for Great Britain, 20,000 bales for Germany, 8,000 bales for France, 65,000 bales for the rest of the Continent, and 4,000 bales coastwise.

The same authority makes the quantity of cotton in sight since August 1 as follows:—

—	This year	Last year
Aggregate port receipts	7,677,000	8,548,000
Net overland	625,000	577,000
Southern consumption	3,896,000	4,176,000
Excess interior stocks	814,000	329,000
Total in sight to date	*12,679,000	14,420,000
Brought into sight during the week	114,000	144,000
Northern spinners' takings since August 1	1,010,000	1,121,000

* Includes 667,000 bales excess Southern mill takings over consumption against 692,000 bales last year.

COMPANY RESULTS

HOWARD AND BULLOUGH'S LOWER PROFIT

Third Canadian General Investment Trust.—Dividend of 2½ per cent., payable on May 1.

Dunville and Co.—Interim dividend of 5s. per share (or 2½ per cent.) for the year ending September 30, payable May 1. The dividend a year ago was the same.

Canadian Bank of Commerce.—Usual quarterly dividend of 3 per cent. on the capital stock for the three months ending May 31 next, payable June 2.

Bristol Brewery Georges.—Interim dividend on the ordinary shares of 7½ per cent., free of tax, for the half-year ended March 31, payable on May 15. The dividend a year ago was the same.

Changkat Salak Rubber and Tin.—Final dividend of 5 per cent. on the preferred ordinary shares, making 17½ per cent. (against 25 per cent.) for the year, and a final dividend of 5 per cent. on the deferred ordinary shares, making 7½ per cent. for the year (against 15 per cent.).

RAMPAH COCOANUT ESTATES

The accounts of the Rampah Cocoanut Estates for the year ended November 30 last show a loss on working of £2,048, to which is added the debit balance brought forward of £893, making a total deficit carried forward of £2,941. Meeting, April 28.

TARAPACA WATERWORKS

Net profits for 1929 of the Tarapaca Waterworks Company amounted to £18,313 (against £24,411) and £22,044 was brought forward. The final dividend is 7 per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year (the same), and £24,356 is carried forward. Meeting, April 28.

BRITISH THREAD MILLS

The net profit of the British Thread Mills, Limited, for the year ended February 14 amounted to £8,787 (against £1,417 for 1928-29). It is proposed to pay a dividend of 6d. per share on both the "A" and "B" Ordinary shares (against nil), requiring £6,154, to set aside £275 for staff bonus, and £3,014 for special depreciation of plant and machinery, and to write £11,480 off trade marks and goodwill, reducing that asset to £60,000. The carry-forward is reduced from £27,988 to £15,852. Meeting, April 28.

EINSTEIN'S ELECTRO CHEMICAL PROCESS

The report of Einstein's Electro Chemical Process, Limited, for the period of incorporation to December 31 last states that the accounts show a debit balance of £21,553 due to the fact that the period covered was one of equipment and development and not of commercial production. The company's processes required the manufacture of special plant, and owing to delays the factory at Slough was only in partial operation at the date of the closing of the accounts. It is now in working order. Meeting, April 29.

SANDERSON BROS. AND NEWBOULD

The directors of Sanderson Bros. and Newbould, steel manufacturers, &c., report that the balance of profit for 1929 was £9,726, which they propose to carry forward. They state that while the year opened under somewhat more promising conditions orders fell off to a very considerable extent during the last seven months of the year owing to some of their best customers being adversely affected by the prevailing uncertainty of trade. A dividend was paid on the Ordinary for the preceding year of 2½ per cent., and net profits were £13,181.

NEW SYLHET TEA

The crop of tea harvested in 1929 by the New Sylhet Tea Estates was 926,241lb. (against 816,538lb.). Profits were £667 (against £5,837) and £4,329 was brought forward, together with £905 being interest received. After making provision for Debenture interest, Preference dividend, &c., there remains a balance of £4,386, which is carried forward. It is proposed to pay a dividend on the Ordinary shares of 10 per cent., the amount required to be taken from dividend reserve account. The dividend for 1928 was 22½ per cent. Meeting, April 30.

LONDON ASIATIC RUBBER

The crop harvested by the London Asiatic Rubber and Produce Company for 1929 was 4,921,408lb. (against 3,642,952lb.). The average net sale price was 8.57d. per lb. (against 9.57d.). The net profit was £69,885 (against £53,951), and £95,612 was brought forward. The sum of £9,000 (against £7,000) is placed to taxation reserve, and £650 (against £710) to employees' retirement fund. Directors' additional remuneration calls for £1,000 (the same). It is proposed to pay a final dividend of 10 per cent., making 15 per cent. for the year (the same). The balance carried forward is £97,027. Meeting, May 5.

BANDARAPOLA CEYLON

Net profits of the Bandarapola Ceylon Company for 1929 amounted to £7,060 (against £9,383), and £2,631 was brought forward. It is proposed to pay a final dividend of 7½ per cent., making 12½ per cent. for the year (against 17½ per cent.), to place £1,000 (against £3,000) to reserve, to write off estates account for depreciation £500 (the same), and to carry forward £1,942. The outturn of tea was 380,070lb. (against 441,750lb.). The average net price realized was 1s. 0.543d. (against 1s. 0.959d.). The rubber crop was 557,260lb. (against 497,000lb.), which realized a net average price of 8.248d. per lb. (against 8.689d.). Meeting, April 30.

TRENT MOTOR TRACTION

The profit of the Trent Motor Traction Company for 1929 amounted to £27,121 (against £21,997 for 1928). This it is proposed to dispose of by writing off the expenses of the increase of capital, £1,020, by writing down goodwill by £4,592, and by making the dividend for the year 8 per cent. (the same), of which 4 per cent. has already been paid, the carry-forward being increased from £8,144 to £10,932. An agreement has been entered into with the London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company and the London and North-Eastern Railway Company for the co-ordination of rail and road services in the area served by the company. Meeting, May 2.

SUNGEI SALAK RUBBER

The net profit of the Sungei Salak Rubber Company for 1929 was £20,338 (against £10,826), and £2,603 was brought forward. The final dividend is 10 per cent., making 15 per cent. for the year (against 6 per cent.). The sum of £1,000 (against nil) is written off estates account for depreciation, £3,500 (against £5,000) is placed to reserve, and £3,441 is carried forward. The crop harvested was 1,459,400lb. (against 1,008,400lb.). The average gross price realized was 9.689d. per lb. (against 9.765d.). As from January 1 last the company acquired the Valleyside Estate at Negri Sembilan. The purchase consideration is 20,000 fully-paid shares of £1 each in the company. Meeting, April 29.

HOWARD AND BULLOUGH

After providing for depreciation, income-tax, and directors' fees, the profit of Howard and Bullough, Limited, makers of spinning and weaving machines, for the year ended March 31, amounted to £1,610, which compares with £71,446 for 1928-29 and £139,143 for 1927-28. In order to cover the amounts required for Debenture interest, £10,000, the year's Preference share dividend, £15,000, and the interim dividend of 2½ per cent. already paid on the Ordinary shares, £31,250, the directors have transferred £55,000 from the dividend reserve (reducing it to £295,000). Thus the carry-forward shows little change at £3,453 (against £3,093). Meeting, May 7.

HIELD BROTHERS

A net profit of £30,863 is reported by Hield Brothers, serge manufacturers, for the year ended March 31 (against £22,282 for 1928-29), out of which the interim Preference share dividend took £6,600 and income-tax absorbed £4,195. It is now proposed to pay the balance of the year's Seven-and-a-Half per Cent. Preference dividend, £6,394; to write £7,067 off underwriting commission and new issue expenses; and to increase the carry-forward from £709 to £7,316. No dividend is proposed on the Ordinary shares (the same), in view of the critical period occasioned by the strike in the wool industry. The report points out that there has been a fall of about 40 per cent. in wool values during the period. The turnover, however, constituted a record. Meeting, April 29.

HOPKINSONS LIMITED

The report of Hopkinsons Limited, safety boiler mountings and valve manufacturers, for the year ended January 31 last states that after making provision for all revenue charges, depreciation, &c., but before providing for income-tax, the profit amounted to £78,628 (against £94,708), to which is added £19,311 brought forward. The provision for income-tax is £16,000 (against £20,000). The sum of £15,000 (against £20,000) is placed to general reserve fund, and from the balance available it is proposed to pay a final dividend on the Ordinary shares of 5 per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year (the same), which, in view of the new rate of taxation of 4s. 6d. in the pound, requires £13,563, leaving a balance of £19,776 to be carried forward. Dividend warrants will be posted on April 30. Meeting, April 25.

LIMA RAILWAYS

Net receipts of the Lima Railways Company for 1929 amounted to £28,344, a decrease of £1,188, compared with 1928. After deducting London charges, Debenture interest, and difference in exchange, together requiring £17,573, and interest, fees, &c., £2,013, there remains a net profit of £12,783, to which is added £13,793 brought forward. The dividend for the year is 6s. per share (the same), and the balance carried forward £14,576. At the meeting to be held on April 28 confirmation will be given of the leasing by the company of its lines of railway in Peru to the Lima Light, Power, and Tramways Company, and the creation of £400,000 Six-and-a-Half per Cent. Debenture stock of the company, the proceeds from which are to be used in or towards the improvement or extension of the lines of the company in Peru.

WEST LONDON AND PROVINCIAL ELECTRIC AND GENERAL TRUST

The profit and loss account of the West London and Provincial Electric and General Trust for the year ended March 31 last shows receipts amounting to £27,480 (against £29,532). After deducting directors' fees, &c., there remains a balance of £25,099 (against £25,206). With the balance brought forward, there is available £29,285. A final dividend is proposed on the Ordinary shares of 5½ per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year (compared with 10 per cent. and a capital bonus of 20 per cent.). The balance carried forward is £5,765 (against £5,761, when £2,500 was placed to reserve account). The investments are entered in the balance-sheet at or under cost. They have been valued by the directors as at March 31 last; and taking the quoted securities (95.3 per cent. of the whole) at middle prices and unquoted securities on a conservative basis, the valuation exceeds the sum at which they stand in the balance-sheet. Meeting, April 25.

AUSTIN REED

Net profits of Austin Reed (outfitters, &c.) for the 12 months ended February 20 were £85,939 (against £80,384), and £26,084 was brought in, making a total of £111,978. Interim dividends of 4 per cent. on the Preference shares and 6 per cent. on the Ordinary absorbed £21,045, and the directors now recommend a final dividend of 4 per cent. on the Preference shares, requiring £12,000, a final dividend of 9 per cent., requiring £13,579, and making 15 per cent. for the year (the same), the appropriation of £30,000 (as last year) to reserve, and of £9,000 (against £4,000) to income-tax reserve. This leaves £26,353 to be carried forward. The directors recommend that out of the general reserve account of £130,450 the sum of £30,177 be capitalized and distributed among the Ordinary shareholders by the allotment of fully-paid Ordinary shares in the proportion of one for every five now held.

TOMASZOW ARTIFICIAL SILK

After deducting 490,973 zlotys for the statutory reserve and 2,601,668zl. for depreciation and making provision for income-tax, bad and doubtful debts, and bonuses to workmen, the profit of the Tomaszow Artificial Silk Works of Poland, for 1929 was 4,801,220zl. (about £110,883). From this total are deducted 300,000zl. for fees for directors and committee of inspection and 450,000zl. for bonuses to managers and staff, leaving 4,061,220zl. It is proposed to pay on May 1 a dividend of 10 per cent. on the old capital, absorbing 3,900,000zl., and a dividend of 2½ per cent. on the new shares issued in the second half of the year, absorbing 97,500zl., this leaving a balance of 63,720zl., which is to be used for welfare work. The report states that, in spite of difficulties, output was maintained, there being increased foreign sales, without any undue accumulation of stocks.

LUNUVA (CEYLON) TEA AND RUBBER

The tea crop of the Lunuva (Ceylon) Tea and Rubber Estates for 1929 was 4,617,694lb. (against 4,427,443lb.). The average net price realized was 1s. 4.80d. per lb. (against 1s. 4.74d.). The rubber crop was 1,278,655lb. (against 817,294lb.). The average net price realized was 7.94d. per lb. (against 11.41d.). The coconut crop was 2,620,391 nuts (against 2,693,733 nuts), of which 2,575,080 nuts were converted into 464 tons of copra (against 476 tons). The average net price realized was equivalent to £18 7s. 1d. per ton of copra (against £21 4s. 4d.). Net profits were £135,188 (against £120,721), and £46,453 was brought forward. The sum of £25,000 (against £23,000) is placed to taxation reserve; £10,000 (against £15,638) to general reserve; £10,000 is written off buildings, machinery account (against nil); £1,000 (against £2,500) is placed to staff retirement fund, and £1,500 (the same) is required to meet directors' additional remuneration. A final dividend is proposed of 11½ per cent., making 17½ per cent. for the year (against 15 per cent.). The balance carried forward is £47,374. Meeting, April 29.

EDINBURGH ASSURANCE

In the life department of the Edinburgh Assurance Company during 1929 the number of new policies issued was 1,289, and the total new assurances transacted amounted to £676,422. Of this amount £59,000 was reassured with other offices. Nine immediate annuities, amounting to £794, were granted, for which the purchase money was £7,308. These policies and annuity contracts form part of the life assurance fund of the Commercial Union Assurance Company, and are guaranteed by that company. In the fire, accident, and marine departments the net premiums received during the year were:—Fire, £101,098; accident, £67,091; marine, £134,213. The directors recommend a dividend of £7 per share be declared payable in two equal instalments on April 15 and October 15, under deduction of tax.

The valuation of the Edinburgh Life Fund shows that the fund as at December 31, 1929, amounted to £4,008,314, while the liabilities valued on the same bases as in 1928 amounted to £3,787,309, leaving a surplus of £221,005. It is proposed that this surplus be disposed of in providing bonuses on participating policies in force on December 31, 1929, £198,905, the balance being the proprietors' share—namely, one-tenth of the surplus, £22,100.

KAGERA (UGANDA) TINFIELDS

The accounts of the Kagera (Uganda) Tinfields for 1929 show a net profit of £7,622, against £23,198 for 1928. An interim dividend of 7½ per cent., absorbing £7,500, was paid in November last; no further dividend can be forthcoming for the year under review. The carry-forward is £144 (against £22). For 1928 the total dividend was 20 per cent. The production of tin concentrates for 1929 was 312 tons (against 266 tons), which, owing to the fall in the price of the metal, realized approximately £28 per ton less than for 1928. Heavy depreciation has taken place in the market value of certain investments which were acquired during the first two months of 1929 in accordance with the policy of the board as constituted at that time. A large part of the amount so invested is represented by shares in companies formed to acquire and work tin producing properties in Malaya. The directors have deemed it expedient to transfer £45,000 from premium of shares account to investment depreciation account. A loss has been sustained in respect of a loan made to a former director of the company, and the directors have made provision for this by transferring £6,000 from premium on shares account. A further similar provision against an amount of £1,500 has been made in connexion with another loan account, but this loss may not actually materialize. Meeting, April 30.

SEA INSURANCE

The report of the Sea Insurance Company for 1929 states that the marine underwriting account for 1928 has been closed by transferring £62,000 to marine suspense account to meet unsettled claims, leaving, after payment of expenses, an underwriting profit of £32,481. Interest received during 1928 amounted to £65,243 and transfer fees £97, showing a total profit for the year of £97,821. The marine premiums received during 1929, less returns and reinsurances, amount to £614,650, the claims settled on account of 1929 being £205,671.

The fire premiums amounted to £179,309, the claims paid and outstanding £109,704, commissions and expenses £73,823. The balance of the account, £78,058, has been carried forward.

The accident and general premiums amounted to £63,017, the claims paid and outstanding £36,135, commission and expenses £28,717. The balance of the account, £29,947, has been carried forward.

The profit and loss account shows a credit balance of £170,983. An interim dividend of 1s. 6d. per share (subject to tax) was paid on October 8 last. The directors now recommend the payment, on or after May 3, of a further dividend (subject to tax) of 1s. 9d. per share, making a total dividend for the year of 3s. 3d. per share, equivalent to 16¼ per cent. per annum (the same as for 1928), carrying forward a balance of £135,983. Meeting, April 29.

STATE ASSURANCE

The report of the State Assurance Company for 1929 states that premiums in the fire department, after deduction of reinsurances, amounted to £686,495, and the losses, less recoveries under reinsurance, absorbed the sum of £400,758. After deducting commission and expenses, and making the usual provision of 40 per cent. for risks unexpired at the close of the year, a balance of £11,026 is carried to the debit of profit and loss account. In the accident and general department the premiums, after deduction of reinsurances, amounted to £184,622, and the losses, less recoveries under reinsurance, to £91,472. After deducting commission and expenses, and making the usual provision of 40 per cent. for risks unexpired at the close of the year, a surplus of £13,500 is carried to profit and loss account. Premiums, less reinsurances, in the marine department amounted to £47,274, and the claims paid on account of 1929 and previous years to £34,229. The underwriting profit carried to profit and loss account was £5,499. The life assurance and annuity fund of the British Equitable Assurance Company amounted to £1,658,250 at the end of the year, against £1,663,190 at the beginning. The profit and loss account shows that, including £127,530 brought forward, there is an available total of £186,680. The directors have transferred £11,026 to the credit of fire account, and after deducting income-tax and debiting depreciation and other charges there remains for disposal a sum of £146,639. The dividend for the year is 40 per cent. (unchanged), and absorbs £32,344; a balance of £114,295 remains to be carried forward.

BRITISH GENERAL INSURANCE

The report of the British General Insurance Company for 1929 states that the triennial valuation in the life department, made as at December 31, 1929, disclosed a surplus of £66,423, including £10,302, brought forward from the previous valuation. This surplus has been dealt with as follows:—To provide a compound reversionary bonus at the rate of 40s. per cent. for each year's premium paid, £44,226; interim bonus paid during the three years, £976; to the shareholders, being 10 per cent. of the divisible surplus, £5,023; balance carried forward, £16,198.

In the fire department net premiums amounted to £333,108, being a decrease of £17,418. The claims paid and outstanding amounted to £198,234, or 59.51 per cent., this experience being somewhat less favourable than that of 1928, the year having been marked by an abnormal number of serious fires. After allowing for commission, expenses of management and taxation abroad, and reserving 40 per cent. of the premium income for unexpired risks, a profit of £3,511 has been carried to profit and loss account.

Net premiums in the accident department amounted to £402,488, being an increase of £1,826. The claims paid and outstanding amounted to £228,038, being 56.65 per cent., as compared with 60.59 per cent. in the previous year. Expenses of management and commission together amounted to £158,620, and an underwriting profit of £14,595 has been carried to profit and loss account. The reserve for unexpired risks has been increased by £1,236 to £165,687, equal to 41.16 per cent. of the year's premiums. The reserve for outstanding claims has been increased by £1,321 to £126,845.

Capital redemption premiums amounted to £8,032; claims and surrenders were £3,647. The fund has been increased from £54,291 to £60,789. The triennial valuation made at December 31, 1929, disclosed a profit of £960, which has been added to the fund.

The profit and loss account shows that net interest not carried to other accounts amounts to £47,066, and, including £112,205 brought forward, the balance of the account is £161,045. The directors recommend that a dividend of £42,000 (the same) and a bonus of £25,000 (against nil), payable in two equal instalments on May 1 and November 1 next, and that the balance of £114,045 shall be transferred to the general reserve fund, making that fund £464,045. Meeting, April 23.

A TANGANYIKAN ISSUE

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

DAR ES SALAAM, APRIL 19

Tanganyika Legislative Council passed on Thursday the new Customs Bill and authorized the raising of funds, not exceeding £1,000,000, to be expended on certain approved capital works, by the issue in London of Tanganyika Government Treasury Bills in anticipation of the raising of a loan under the Palestine and East Africa Loans Act, 1926. The capital works include the realignment of the portion of the Central Railway which is in the flooded area. The floods have now subsided, and the issue of bulletins as to the flood situation has been discontinued.

THE R. E. JONES MEETING

A telegram from Mr. A. Batchelor, chairman of R. E. Jones, Limited, states that not a single director of the company was removed at the meeting on Thursday last, the requisite three-fourths majority not being obtained on a show of hands.

The Press Association, whose report of the proceedings at the meeting appeared in our issue of April 19, now states that the scrutiny of the poll demanded at the meeting is not expected to be begun before Wednesday owing to the Easter holidays. It will be declared on Friday afternoon.

AN INVESTMENT INDEX

A paper read by Mr. A. C. Murray at a sessional meeting of the Faculty of Actuaries in Scotland on the subject of the new "actuaries' investment index" which is being prepared by committees of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries jointly. Although the scheme will not be launched for another month, preparations have now been completed and an index of price and average yield will be circulated to subscribers for each of 33 groups of securities. In addition the yield will be circulated for a representative Government bond of each of five Dominions and 16 foreign countries.

HOME COMMERCIAL MARKETS

COAL TRADE REPORTS

GRAIN AND FARM PRODUCE

LONDON, April 19.—The Baltic Exchange was closed to-day.

Farmers' deliveries are subjoined (season 35 weeks):—

—	Wheat	Barley	Oats
	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.
This week	118,822	68,294	22,035
Average price	8s. 10d.	7s. 9d.	6s. 7d.
Same week last year	148,778	37,531	32,874
Average price	9s. 10d.	10s. 2d.	9s. 9d.
This season	7,995,710	10,730,879	1,697,486
Average price	9s. 4d.	9s. 0d.	7s. 1½d.
Last season	8,474,870	11,746,922	2,548,932
Average price	9s. 7½d.	10s. 9½d.	9s. 3d.

LIVERPOOL, April 19.—WHEAT.—The market was of a holiday character. Sellers' quotations were unchanged to 3d. per qr. higher. No. 1 Northern Manitoba, April, 42s.; No. 2, ditto, April, 41s. 4½d.; May, 41s. 1½d.; No. 3, April, 40s. 6d.; May, 40s. 1½d.; No. 4 Manitoba, May, 38s. 9d.; No. 5, April, 37s. 4½d.; May, 36s. 9d.; No. 2 hard winter (Gulf), April, 39s.; Rosafe (62½lb.), afloat, 38s.; Baruso (62½lb.), April (shippers' price), 38s. 3d.; Australian, afloat, 41s. Spot parcels were unchanged. Graded wheat futures opened ½d. per cental higher, improved slightly on scattered buying, then eased in the absence of any special feature and closed dull at ½d. decline. Sales, 50 loads.

GRADED WHEAT FUTURES

Per 100lb.	Open'g values	Business covered Highest	Business covered Lowest	Closing values	Prev. closing values
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
May	7 9¼	7 9⅜	7 9⅛	7 9	7 9½
July*	7 11¼	7 11¼	7 11	7 10⅞	7 10¼
Oct.*	Nom.	—	—	8 0⅞	8 1

* Net cash terms.

MAIZE.—C.i.f. parcels were neglected. La Plata was quoted 3d. per quarter higher. April-May, 25s.; May-June and June-July, 24s. 9d. Spot parcels were quiet and unchanged.

OATS.—C.i.f. parcels were idle. Chilian tawny, May-June, 14s.; July, 14s. 6d.; La Plata, f.a.q., May, 14s.

FLOUR was dull and unchanged.

CAMBRIDGE, April 19.—Wheat, 40s. to 41s., delivered; barley unaltered; oats in small supply at 19s. to 21s.

COLCHESTER, April 19.—There was a small supply of wheat at 40s. to 41s., delivered mills; no barley was offered; oats, 21s. to 22s.

NORTHAMPTON, April 19.—There was very little business and prices were nominally unchanged. Wheat was quoted up to 42s.; barley, 28s. to 30s.; oats, 20s. to 22s.

LONDON, April 19.—POTATOES THE BOROUGH.—Home-grown deliveries totalled 5,000 tons. Business was a little brisker, but the tone was uncertain. Quotations:—Best siltland King Edward, £3 to £3 10s.; second grade Siltland, King Edward, Arran Chief, and Scotch King Edward, £2 10s. to £3; Scotch and Skirtland Majestic, £2 to £2 10s. per ton.

COVENT GARDEN.—Business was rather quiet with fairly good supplies on offer. Quotations:—Belgian grapes, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d. per lb.; South African, 8s. to 15s.; Argentine, 10s. to 14s. per 10lb. box. English Bramley seedling apples, 8s. to 14s. per bushel; Australian, 11s. to 15s.; New Zealand, 12s. to 15s.; South African, 10s. to 15s. per box; American Newtown, 12s. to 16s.; Winesap, 9s. to 10s. 6d. per box. Canary bananas, 14s. to 25s. per crate. Tunis dates, 4s. to 6s. 6d. per doz. cartons. St. Michaels pineapples, 2s. 3d. to 4s. each. South African pears, 4s. to 9s. per box; Australian, 10s. to 16s. per case; Messina lemons, 8s. 6d. to 10s. per box; 10s. to 14s. per case. Californian oranges, 25s. to 28s.; Jaffa, 10s. to 15s. per box; Spanish, 10s. 6d. to 27s. 6d. per case. Florida grape fruit, 24s. to 30s.; Cuban, 18s. to 22s. 6d. per case. Canary tomatoes, 15s. to 20s. per package. Cornish broccoli, 6s. to 8s. per crate; French Lauris asparagus, 2s. to 3s. 6d. per bushel; rhubarb, 3s. to 5s. per doz. bundles; leeks, 2s. 6d. to 3s.; spring onions, 3s. to 4s.; mint, 4s. to 7s. 6d. per doz. bunches; spinach, 4s. to 5s. per bushel; horseradish, 1s. 3d. to 2s. per bundle.

HAY AND STRAW.—WHITECHAPEL.—Light supplies met a quiet trade at steady rates. Best meadow hay was quoted at £6 15s. to £7 5s.; mixture and sainfoin, £6 15s. to £7 10s.; best clover, £7 to £7 15s.; and best straw, £4 10s. to £4 15s. per ton.

COTTON

LIVERPOOL, April 19.—The following is the return of stocks, &c., for the week ended April 17:—

—	Import	Forw'ded	Sales	Export	Stock
American	8,876	19,744	12,250	1,205	355,990
Brazilian	204	3,923	4,260	261	170,650
Peruvian	90	1,824	2,930	346	72,160
Egyptian	—	4,009	11,240	1,681	40,440
Sudan	3,004	1,133	13,240	1,864	75,630
W. Indian	601	130	70	35	2,580
E. African	963	891	470	189	34,700
S. African	—	—	20	—	—
W. African	3,355	240	840	31	27,370
Australian	—	—	—	—	30
E. Indian	2,579	3,702	1,210	148	51,010
Total	19,672	35,596	46,530	5,760	830,560
So far this year	2,257,989	2,059,696	1,194,530	78,032	—
Last year	2,581,000	2,181,000	1,227,830	99,000	965,460

ARTIFICIAL SILK

MANCHESTER, April 19.—Though there has been no appreciable increase of activity in demand for artificial silk fabrics during the past week there is certainly a feeling of more confidence since the Chancellor of the Exchequer's statement. An important event has been the issue by Messrs. Courtaulds of a revised price list. This makes certain concessions, but chiefly affects the higher qualities, the reductions made amounting to as much as 1s. per lb. The lower-priced yarns are left practically unchanged. The market, of course, has not had time to settle down before the holidays, but it is hoped that during the next three or four weeks there will be some revival of interest on the part of buyers. At present demand is chiefly for high-class cloths composed wholly of artificial silk yarns, but there is a tendency to do rather more in certain mixture cloths. The best support continues to be received from the home trade and the Colonies. South America has only booked quietly, and events in India have been against any expansion in turnover for that centre. There has only been a small trade for China. A little more has been done in some of the high quality yarns, but it is still difficult to dispose of the lower grades, the prices of which continue very weak. Nominal prices of all artificial silk and cotton and artificial silk mixture fabrics are as follows:—Coloured stripe poplin, 101s.; brocades, 99s.; crêpe brocades, 147s.; limbrics, 118s.; all artificial silk limbrics, 147s.; and crêpe artificial silk, 144s.

METALS AND MINERALS

GLASGOW, April 19.—COAL.—While no appreciable change in the position has developed during the past week, the outlook is considered to be rather brighter. Prices in the shipping areas, which have depreciated steadily for months past, appear to be steadier, although confidence is still lacking. With stocks on the Continent still much beyond immediate requirements fresh oversea business for immediate or even near delivery is at a discount, but in the past few days European consumers have shown a greater disposition to commit themselves forward. Already a considerable number of contracts have been booked for shipment over the second half of the year, but much business has failed to materialize owing to the wide disparity in prices which still exists between collieries and prospective purchasers. Washed material commands a broadening outlet, and Germany has taken considerable quantities of doubles for delivery till March of next year on the basis of about 13s., f.o.b. Fife ports. An active inquiry circulates for both singles and pearls, both for inland and foreign markets, while Fifeshire trebles find support, particularly from Denmark.

Shipment prices are approximately as follows:—

Lanarkshire.—Ell best, 14s.; splint best, 17s.; splint second, 16s.; navigation, 16s.; navigation second, 14s. 6d.; Hartley, 18s. All per ton f.o.b. Glasgow. Steam, 12s. 6d.; trebles, 12s.; doubles, 11s. 6d.; singles, 10s. 9d.; pearls, 10s. 6d.; dross, 10s. All per ton f.o.b. Grangemouth.

Fife.—Screened navigation, 16s. 6d.; first-class steam, 12s. 9d.; third-class steam, 10s. 3d.; trebles, 12s. to 12s. 6d.; doubles, 11s.; singles, 10s. 9d.; pearls, 10s. 6d. All per ton f.o.b. Burntisland or Methil.

Lothians.—Prime steam, 12s. 3d.; secondary steam, 12s.; trebles, 12s. 6d.; doubles, 11s.; singles, 10s. 9d.; pearls, 10s. 6d. All per ton f.o.b. Leith.

Ayrshire.—Unscreened navigation, 16s.; jewel, 17s.; steam, 13s. 3d.; trebles, 12s. 6d.; doubles, 11s. 6d.; singles, 10s. 9d.; pearls, 10s. 9d.; dross, 10s. 6d. All per ton f.o.b. Ayr or Troon.

IRON AND STEEL.—Dull conditions continue in the West of Scotland iron and steel trades, and makers find it increasingly difficult to maintain their plants in operation even at the present restricted rate. No immediate improvement seems probable, at least so far as the "heavy" departments are concerned. These look for support mainly from the shipyards, and with owners in so many cases finding it impossible to keep their present tonnage in operation, there is little inducement to augment their fleets. Producers of galvanized sheets still find demand very restricted, but fair tonnages of black sheets have been booked for oversea shipment. The lull in the tube trade continues. How serious the change in the Australian fiscal policy at the beginning of the year has proved for British tubemakers may be gauged from the fact that one of the most remunerative of Stewarts and Lloyd's establishments, the Phoenix Works, Rutherglen, which catered especially for the Australian trade, is now at a standstill.

Current quotations are:—

—	Home	Export
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Scotch "crown" bars	10 5 0	9 15 0
Sections (angle basis)	*8 7 6	7 7 6
Steel ship plates	*8 15 0	7 15 0
Boiler plates	10 10 0	10 10 0
Steel bars (re-rolled)	7 12 6	7 12 6
Black steel sheets (1/8in.)	9 0 0	8 15 0
Gal. corr. sheets, 24g.	12 15 0	12 5 0
Pig iron, No. 3	3 18 0	—
Hematite	4 1 0	—
Heavy steel scrap	3 5 0	—
Cast iron machinery scrap	3 9 3	—

* Subject to rebate of 10s. per ton.

NEWCASTLE, April 19.—COAL.—The usual increase of pressure before a holiday has been lacking and the acute depression recently prevalent in the coal market has continued. All qualities were offered in excess of requirements, in spite of the idle time at the pits already being experienced. Prospects for the whole of April and early May are without encouragement, but little further quotable change in prices was noted. In coke, gas makes were in brisk demand and steady to firm, but other makes plentiful and weak. The Gothenburg gas works' contract has been secured for 15,000 tons of good classes of gas and 21,000 tons of best coking coal, Sept.-March, at 18s. 7d., c.i.f., but the Danish sugar works' contract for 15,000 tons of washed singles was placed in Yorkshire.

Prices were approximately:—

—	April 19	April 12
Best Blyth large	14/0 to 14/6	14/0 to 14/6
Best Blyth small	10/0 to 11/0	10/0 to 11/0
Tyne prime small	11/0	11/0
Tyne prime large	13/6 to 14/0	13/6 to 14/0
Bunkers	14/0 to 15/6	14/0 to 15/6
Gas coal (best)	16/6 to 16/9	16/6 to 16/9
Coking coal	13/6 to 14/6	13/6 to 14/6
Manufacturing Fuel	15/0 to 17/0	15/0 to 17/0
Gas coke	21/0 to 21/6	21/0 to 21/6
Furnace coke	18/0 to 19/0	18/0 to 19/0

MEAT AND FISH

LONDON, April 19.—SMITHFIELD MEAT.—Supplies for the week ended April 19 (five days) amounted to 9,243 tons, as against 6,778 tons in the corresponding week last year. Imported beef, principally Argentine, formed

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The Estate Market

SALES THIS WEEK

RIVER FRONTAGE

The holiday will be a short one, auctions being resumed on Wednesday in the City. A Kensington freehold in Eldon-road and a leasehold in Thurloe-square and another in Eaton-terrace, Eaton-square, will be offered by Messrs. Barker and Neale.

Four sales will take place on Thursday, when Messrs. Stimson and Sons have to sell a large number of houses in Crooms Hill-grove, Greenwich, let at a total of £606 a year on weekly tenancies, as well as freeholds at Muswell Hill, Charlton, Lambeth, and elsewhere, and shops in Southwark Park-road, the total rentals involved in their auction exceeding £1,600 gross. A Bickley freehold residence in Magpie Hall-lane is for sale by Messrs. W. Levens and Son, and properties in the hands of Messrs. Chesterton and Sons on the same day are a freehold, with possession, in The Terrace, Barnes, and the 31 years' lease of a house in Abingdon-road, Kensington.

Surrey freeholds for disposal on Friday by Messrs. Ewbank and Co. are Treglos, Walton-on-Thames, and Chasewood, Weybridge, both with possession on completion of the contract. On the same day Messrs. Fuller, Horsey, Sons and Cassell invite offers for freehold factories and warehouses at the corner of Henry-street and Brownlow-mews, Gray's Inn-road, an income of £371 a year from adjoining freeholds, and £815 a year from other freeholds in Brownlow-mews.

Coming sales by Messrs. Fuller, Horsey, Sons and Cassell include on May 8, at Leighton Buzzard, a canal-side factory having 75,000ft. floor space and a total area of nearly seven acres; and on May 20 in Chiswick, freehold factories, one with 36,000ft. of floor space and an acre of land, having a river frontage of 280ft.; and three adjacent factories with river frontages of 81ft., 113ft., and 116ft., the three lots being let at substantial rents.

Burcote Brook, Clifton Hampden, near Abingdon, 36 acres on the Thames, has been sold by Messrs. James Styles and Whitlock (St. James's-place).

POLYPHONWERKE PROFITS

THE NEW SWISS HOLDING COMPANY

The results of Polyphonwerke Aktiengesellschaft, the German gramophone and gramophone record manufacturing company, for the past year show a net profit, including the amount carried forward from last year, of 3,685,517m., comparing with 3,176,606m. for 1928. The distribution of a dividend of 20 per cent. on the Ordinary share capital of 17,000,000m. now ranking for full dividend will be recommended at the general meeting convened for June 3. The rate of dividend for 1928 was also 20 per cent.

As already announced, the company, in order to co-ordinate its foreign interests, has formed the Polyphon Holding Aktiengesellschaft, a company domiciled at Basel with a share capital of 8,500,000 Swiss francs. This capital is divided into 4,500,000f. of "A" shares and 4,000,000f. of "B" shares. The "A" shares are entitled to dividends on the net profit available after the payment of a Preference dividend of 6 per cent. on the amount paid up on the "B" shares, but the percentage of dividend payable on the "A" shares will not be less than the percentage of dividend paid by the Polyphonwerke Aktiengesellschaft.

The shareholders of the Polyphonwerke Aktiengesellschaft on the distribution of the dividend will have the option either of taking 20 per cent. less German tax in cash, or of taking 10 per cent. net in cash and 10 per cent. less German tax in "A" shares of the Polyphon Holding Aktiengesellschaft, *i.e.*, on 1,000m. of Polyphon shares, 100m. in cash, and 100f. in Swiss shares. It is intended to introduce the "A" shares of the Polyphon Holding Aktiengesellschaft on the Berlin Stock Exchange as well as in Basel, Zurich, and elsewhere.

For the above purposes an international banking consortium will bear the whole cost of forming the Polyphon Holding Aktiengesellschaft as well as the incidental expenses in connexion therewith, and will take up 2,250,000f. of "A" shares at par. The remaining shares will remain for the time being in the possession of the Polyphonwerke Aktiengesellschaft.

BRAZIL'S FAVOURABLE TRADE BALANCE

The figures of Brazil's overseas trade for 1929 disclose a balance in favour of exports of £8,178,000, against a balance of £6,757,000 in the previous year. According to the Bank of London and South America, the volume of exports showed an increase of 114,266 tons, the total value being £94,831,000, against £97,426,000 in 1928. Imports increased by 269,257 tons, and were valued at £86,653,000, against £90,669,000.

Of the total exports, coffee accounted for £67,307,000, against £69,701,000, a decrease of £2,394,000; while the volume exported increased by 400,000 bags to a total of 14,281,000 bags. The average price of coffee exported during 1929 was £4 14s. per bag, against £5 per bag in 1928. Raw cotton exports were valued at £3,783,000, compared with £893,000 in 1928, but hide exports, valued at £2,931,000, show a decrease in value of £2,517,000.

CANADIAN TRADE

OTTAWA, April 17.—Canada's trade for the fiscal year ended March, 1930, totalled $2,369,000,000, of which $1,120,000,000 is exports and $1,249,000,000 imports, showing an unfavourable balance in trade for the first time in the past 10 years.

Reductions in exports, however, are due to the check in the outflow of grain and flour to the European markets, which accounts for practically the whole of the decrease in exports as compared with the preceding year. Stocks of grain in storage, much of which will probably be exported in the coming three months, will, to some extent at least, counterbalance the unfavourable trade balance for the past 12 months. Imports for the year show a decrease of $16,000,000, while exports show a decrease of $243,000,000.—*Reuter.*

BRAZILIAN MARKETS

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 17.—EXCHANGE on London remained at 5⅞d. The COFFEE market closed steady, with No. 7 New York standard unchanged at 15$175. Receipts, 11,000 bags, making 2,474,000 bags for the season to date, against 2,405,000 bags for the same period last season. Clearances were 4,000 bags to the United States and 4,000 bags to Europe. The stock is estimated at 319,000 bags, against 282,000 bags a year ago. The SANTOS market remained closed to-day. All Brazilian markets will be closed to-morrow and on Monday, while the SANTOS market will also be shut on Saturday.

81.3 per cent. of the beef supply, as against 79.9 per cent. a year ago. Imported mutton, mainly New Zealand, formed 82.3 per cent. of the total supply of mutton and lamb, as against 81.0 per cent. in the same week last year. Imported pork and bacon formed 28.3 per cent. of the total supply of pork and bacon, as against 35.4 per cent. a year ago. The bulk of the poultry and game supply was imported, 68.9 per cent., as against 69.0 per cent. a year ago. Imported rabbits formed 96.2 per cent., as against 97.1 per cent. same week last year. Imported eggs formed 42.3 per cent., as against 47.1 per cent. a year ago, and imported butter, cheese, &c., formed 75.0 per cent., as against 76.7 per cent. in the same week last year. The quantity of fresh killed beef, veal, mutton, lamb, and pork marketed during the week aggregated 1,951 tons, as against 6,691 tons of chilled and frozen meats. The quantity of meat, &c., surrendered or taken as being useless for food was 14 tons, as against 20 tons same week a year ago.

GRIMSBY, April 19.—FISH.—Twenty-four North Sea and three Iceland trawlers and one liner landed a poor supply. Demand was good. Plaice, 10s.; lemon soles, 15s.; halibut, 10s. to 14s.; cod, 2s. to 5s.; skate, 8s. to 9s.; small haddock, 3s.; kit haddock, 7s.; gibbed haddock, 8s.; dabs, 8s. to 10s.; codling, 3s. to 4s. 6d.; whiting, 4s. per stone. Soles, 2s. 6d.; turbot, 1s. 3d. to 1s. 7d.; and brill, 1s. 3d. per lb.

CATTLE

CARLISLE, April 19.—Supplies amounted to 1,200 head. There were more buyers and trade was brisk. Quotations:—Young heifers, £14 to £18; heifers for short keep up to £23; and polled cattle and stripping cows up to £20.

NORWICH, April 19.—Holiday conditions prevailed, and prices were generally unchanged. Beef, 48s. to 50s. per cwt., live-weight. Mutton was in short supply, and ranged from 1s. to 2s. per lb. Good calves realized £6 2s. 6d. Few store cattle were on offer, and best descriptions sold at £23 10s. a head. Only 133 pigs in all were on offer, resulting in a slightly better trade at 14s. per stone; heavy fat hogs up to £11 7s. 6d.; fat sows up to £10 10s.; strong stores up to 69s. and small stores at late rates. At market:—Cattle, 972; sheep, 375; pigs, 133.

COMPANY MEETING NOTICES
4 lines 20s. (minimum)

DOMINION IRON and STEEL COMPANY, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that a MEETING of the Holders of the 5 per Cent. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds (Sterling and Currency Series) of the [illegible] Company, secured by a Deed of Trust dated [illegible] and made between the Company of the one part and National Trust Company, Limited, of Toronto, Canada, of the other part, will be held at Assembly Hall, Third Floor, Royal Bank Building in the City of Montreal, on Wednesday, the 14th day of May, 1930, at 12 o'clock noon, daylight saving time, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing, with or without modification, Resolutions as defined by Article IX., Paragraph 2 of the Deed of Trust, which will be submitted to such meeting, to the intent that the same, if passed by a vote representing not less than two-thirds in amount of the outstanding bonds, shall be binding upon all of the holders of the said bonds, whether present or represented at such meeting or not:—

(A) Approving and sanctioning a proposed Plan of Exchange involving a compromise between the Company and the Bondholders, which will be laid before the meeting under which the 5 per Cent. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds, Sterling and Currency Series, of the Company are to be exchanged at par for Series "A" First Mortgage 6 per Cent. Sinking Fund Debenture Stock of Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation Limited (incorporated under the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia, Canada), part of an authorized issue of $25,000,000 of Bonds and/or Debenture Stock secured by Deed of Trust to National Trust Company, Limited, as Trustee; holders of Consolidated Bonds to receive also as part of such exchange payment of an amount in cash at the rate of £10 10s. sterling (or its equivalent in Canadian currency at $4.86⅔ to the £1 sterling) for each £100 (or its equivalent in Canadian currency at the said rate) of bonds turned in for exchange as provided in the said Plan. Such Debenture Stock to bear interest from 1st March, 1930. Coupons Numbers 34 to 60 inclusive appurtenant to the Consolidated Bonds to be surrendered therewith;

(B) Authorizing and directing National Trust Company, Limited, as Trustee, subject to the said Plan of Exchange becoming operative as therein provided, to release to Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation Limited all of the properties and securities presently held for the 5 per Cent. Consolidated Mortgage Bonds, and to execute and do any other documents and things required for carrying the said Plan of Exchange into effect;

(C) Assenting to the discharge of National Trust Company, Limited, from its receivership and managership.

Prints of the Plan of Exchange, forms for listing bonds for deposit and any other information may be obtained by the Bondholders, on application to:—

Dominion Iron and Steel Company, Limited,
Canada Cement Buildings,
Montreal, Canada;
National Trust Company, Limited,
225, St. James-street West, Montreal,
or 22, King-street East, Toronto, Canada;
The London Agent of National Trust Company, Limited,
A. L. Nunns, Esq.,
28, Bishopsgate, London, E.C.2, England.
The Bank of Montreal,
Threadneedle-street, London, E.C.2, England;
John A. Roney, Esq.,
Secretary, Consolidated Bondholders (Sterling Series) Committee,
5, London Wall Buildings,
Finsbury-circus, London, E.C.2, England;

and copies of the Resolutions to be submitted to the meeting may be inspected by Bondholders at the same places on any business day previous to the day of the meeting, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Saturdays 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Under regulations made by National Trust Company, Limited, as Trustee of the said Deed of Trust, Bondholders desiring to attend the meeting without producing their bonds, may deposit the same with any recognized Bank or Trust Company and will receive in exchange voting certificates which will entitle the bearer thereof to attend and vote at such meeting as though he were the actual bearer of the bonds therein referred to and produced the same at such meeting. If unable to attend in person the holder of such voting certificate may deposit the same in London at the office of the Trustee's representative, A. L. Nunns, Esq., 28, Bishopsgate, London, E.C.2, England, or in Montreal, Canada, with the Trustee at 225, St. James-street West, and such certificate will be voted at the meeting in favour of the Resolutions unless the depositor shall give written instructions to the contrary.

NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, Limited, Trustee.
Dated 14th April, 1930.

NOTE.—A circular of the Trustee with accompanying documents may be obtained from the Depositaries mentioned in the above notice.

DECLARATION OF DIVIDENDS
4 lines 20s. (minimum)

ALGOMA CENTRAL TERMINALS, Limited.
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Scheme of Arrangement and Compromise and pursuant to Supplemental Trust Deeds executed as provided in said Scheme, PAYMENT will be made to the holders of FIRST MORTGAGE FIVE per CENT. FIFTY-YEAR GOLD BONDS of Algoma Central Terminals, Limited, at the office of the Bank of Montreal, 47, Threadneedle-street, London, England, or at the offices of the Bank of Montreal, Montreal or New York, on the 1st day of May, 1930, of interest on said Bonds at the rate of 1½ per cent. for six months from 1st August, 1929, upon presentation of Coupon No. 21 attached to said Bonds.
Dated the 14th day of April, 1930.
ALEX. TAYLOR, Secretary.

THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE.
(Incorporated in Canada with limited liability.)
DIVIDEND No. 173.
Notice is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of 3 per Cent. has been declared upon the Capital Stock of this Institution for the three months ending 31st May next, and that the same will be PAYABLE at the Bank and its branches on and after Monday, 2nd June next, to Shareholders of record on 30th April, 1930.
The Transfer Books will not be closed.
By Order of the Board.
CHARLES CAMBIE, London Manager.
2, Lombard-street, London, E.C.3, 19th April, 1930.

TRANSFER BOOKS
4 lines 20s. (minimum)

BENGER'S FOOD, Limited.
Notice is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Ordinary Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from April 22nd to May 8th, both days inclusive.
By Order.
M. HARDING, Secretary.
Otter Works, Manchester, 17th April, 1930.

THE BRISTOL BREWERY GEORGES & COMPANY, Limited.
Notice is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Ordinary Shares will be CLOSED from May 1st to May 14th, 1930, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board.
(Signed) S. DREWETT, Secretary-Manager.
Bath-street, Bristol. April 17th, 1930.

ARTICLES FOR SALE AND WANTED
Private Announcements 3 lines 6s. (minimum); Trade 3 lines 9s. (minimum)

FURNITURE

FURNITURE.—IMPORTANT PRIVATE SALE of new and second-hand now being sold at one-third original cost, removed from GROSVENOR-GARDENS, S.W., and YEOVIL, SOMERSET; also a consignment of New Furniture manufactured for the OVERSEAS CLUB, NEW ZEALAND. Among these goods are several well-made bed-room, dining, and drawing-room suites. Every item for furnishing equal to new; 45 solid oak bed-room suites, comprising wardrobes, dressing chests, cupboard stand, the lot £5 15s.; 20 double-sized ditto in waxed oak, mahogany, walnut, Queen Anne and other periods, from 11gns. to 150gns.; 175 lounge chairs beautifully sprung in art linen from 25s. to 10gns.; Chesterfield to match; 130 real hide club chairs fully sprung fitted with feather cushion, £4 15s. each, cost double; a few settees to match; 25 gentlemen's fitted wardrobes from £4 10s.
WE CALL SPECIAL ATTENTION to the following goods, only in use six months, comprising Italian figured walnut hand-made bed-room suite, complete with twin beds and Staples springs, 36gns. the lot, cost double. Similar lot in French-grey walnut equally cheap. Any of the above items sold separately.
All goods bought can remain stored free and packed for country. On view 9-8 daily.

A. MARSH & CO., LTD.,
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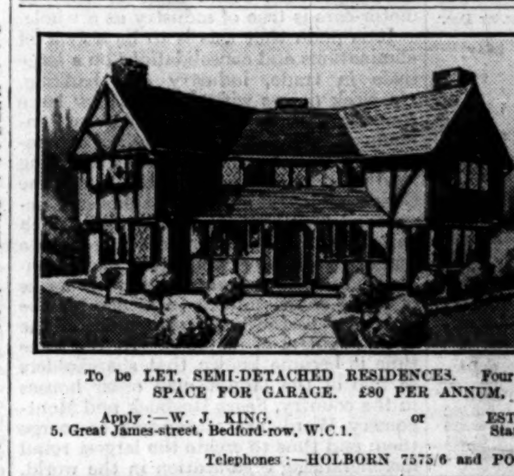

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